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MOSCOW, July 6 (R) — A Soviet Aeroflot airliner crashed near Moscow's Sheremetyevo Airport Tuesday, but there was no pay by black workers. — Page 11

Tass, quoting the Soviet Ministry of Civil Aviation, said a commission had been set up to investigate the crash. The official agency, though keeping no details of casualties, but said the ministry of civil aviation had expressed deep condolences to relatives of the victims.

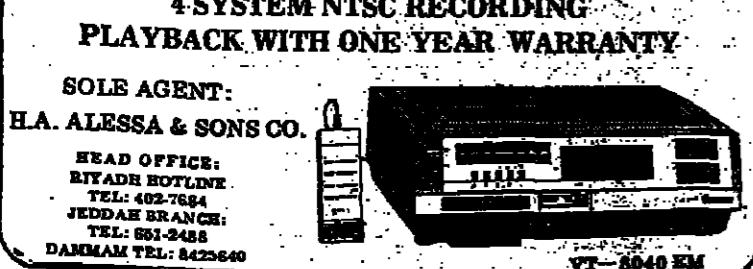
Tass gave no indication of how the crash occurred. Airport officials identified the plane as an Ilyushin-62, which carries a maximum of 186 passengers.

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Beirut feels impact of Israeli blockade

in short supply. Many petrol stations are closed and those that are open have long queues with armed commandos firing in the air to clear the way for military vehicles.

Said one Beirut resident to a waiting correspondent: "If you want to fill up, bring a machine gun." One store owner, Mahmoud Labban, closed up his women's fashion shop two weeks ago when it was damaged by an explosion. He was incongruously, down at the seafront sunbathing in front of the deserted hotel Riviera Monday as a group of commandos busily built a sandbag emplacement by its bullet-shattered front entrance.

"Myself, my wife and two teenage daughters have to stay in Beirut because we have nowhere else to go," he said, sipping a coffee bought from one of the few stalls still open along the seafront.

The officials claimed U.S. Mideast peace envoy Philip C. Habib was "getting very close" to reaching a final agreement in his mediation efforts between the PLO and Israel.

Over use of deadly arms

Moscow assails Israel

MOSCOW, July 6 (R) — The Communist Party daily *Pravda* accused Israel Tuesday of using barbarous weapons in Beirut to destroy the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in South Lebanon.

A front-page editorial also repeated recent Soviet government warnings that the Israeli advance to the outskirts of Beirut threatened Soviet interests and was fraught with danger.

"Israeli troops, using arms received from the United States, including such barbarous weapons as pellet and phosphorous bombs, napalm and toxic agents, are attempting to drown the Palestine resistance in blood," *Pravda* said.

But the Israeli action could not achieve its goal and would only complicate the dangerous situation in the region. Echoing the tone of a recent government statement, *Pravda* said the strategic alliance between Washington and Israel had a blatantly anti-Soviet character.

"It is clear that this is directed against our homeland. Moreover, it is drawing a small country, as Israel, is still deeper into a dangerous confrontation in the international arena," *Pravda* said. The editorial appeared a day after an Arab delegation had held talks in

3 jailed for anti-Mao coup bid

PEKING, July 6 (R) — Communist China confirmed Tuesday that three former senior air force officers had been jailed for their part in an abortive coup against Chairman Mao Tse-tung 11 years ago.

The independent Hong Kong newspaper *Ming Pao* reported Monday that the three officers had been jailed for between 11 and 14 years for plotting against Mao. A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman said "it is learnt that three persons have been sentenced to imprisonment." He declined to elaborate.

Officers Wang Weiguo, Hu Ping and Gu Tongzhou, were named in the indictment against the "gang of four" radical leaders who were jailed in January 1981 for conspiring to stage a coup.

It was disclosed during the trial of the "gang" that Wang had been ordered to shoot Mao with a pistol when he was received by the chairman aboard his private train.

Franks heads Falklands probe panel

LONDON, July 6 (Agencies) — Lord Liver Franks, a former British ambassador to the United States, is to head an investigation into the Falklands conflict, according to the London Times.

The Times reported Tuesday that the 87-year-old Franks will head the official inquiry ordered by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. The inquiry is to cover the conflict, its background and how Britain failed to head off the Argentine invasion.

Press Association, the British domestic news agency said Mrs. Thatcher was expected to announce the appointment of Franks in the House of Commons Thursday.

Franks was British ambassador in Washington from 1948 to 1952, chairman of Lloyds Bank from 1954 to 1962 and headed a government inquiry on the working of the Official Secrets Act. He was made a Lord in

British Rail runs skeleton service

LONDON, July 6 (Agencies) — An indefinite strike by Britain's train drivers entered its third day Tuesday but state-owned British Rail said about one train in 12 was running as more drivers ignored the strike call.

British Rail operated 1,250 trains, about eight percent of the normal service Monday. By mid-morning Tuesday, about 500 trains had run and officials hoped the service would be more complete than Monday. The strike is regarded as a showdown between British Rail and the Striking Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (ASLEF), which is protesting against the introduction of new work rosters.

The rosters are designed to increase productivity and cut British Rail's losses, expected this year to be at least \$322 million.

Heavy rain in London Tuesday added to the problems of commuters as many people found ways to live without trains. The Times said Britons were surviving with "triumphant ease... what is becoming clear... is that as strikes and interrupted services become more frequent, the public are increasingly managing to cope."

London, Britain's biggest city with a population of 6.6 million, is the worst hit, but most London firms reported 100 percent attendance by staff, with only a minority arriving up to 30 minutes late.

Water, power to be restored

Fahd presses U.S. to get siege lifted

TAIF, July 6 (SPA) — King Fahd has contacted U.S. President Ronald Reagan and other world leaders on lifting the siege of Beirut by Israeli forces and on a ceasefire in Lebanon, it was officially announced here Tuesday.

Well-informed sources said in Beirut that power and water supplies, which had been cut off by the Israelis Sunday, will be restored shortly thanks to the intervention of King Fahd who told Reagan that he wanted that the supplies should be restored immediately.

In a statement to SPA, Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani said King Fahd was constantly following up the situation in Lebanon. He added that the current situation required action by all sides to "save the Lebanese and Palestinian peoples from this Zionist barbaric attack and achieve the Islamic and Arab nation's higher interests."

Meanwhile, a senior French envoy, Francis Gutman, held talks Monday night here with Foreign Minister Prince Saad Al-Faisal. The discussions centered on French attempts to solve the crisis arising from the Israeli invasion. Gutman, secretary-general of France's External Relations Ministry, has already visited Israel, Lebanon, Syria and Jordan for similar purposes.

A delegation under Prince Saad is to leave for Washington and several European capitals this week to discuss the Lebanon crisis.

All was reported calm in West Beirut and the southern suburbs of the Lebanese capital Tuesday morning following a new ceasefire which went into effect Monday after an intensive artillery duel. The Palestine news agency WAFA had accused the Israelis, entrenched on the southern and eastern approaches of the capital, of trying to occupy new positions.

Iran diplomats 'seized' in Beirut

TEHRAN, July 6 (AFP) — Four Iranian diplomats posted in Beirut, including the embassy's senior adviser, were kidnapped Sunday while attempting to enter the western sector of the besieged Lebanese capital, Radio Tehran reported Tuesday.

According to the report, the diplomats were seized by "members of the rightwing Phalangist Party" and were transferred to a Phalangist military center. (Sources in Beirut said the diplomats were seized near a roadblock north of Beirut).

Tehran radio, quoting Lebanese press reports, added that certain Lebanese ministers were attempting to arrange for the release of the kidnapped envoys.

near Beirut's international airport, and said the commandos succeeded in checking the advance.

Lebanese Premier Shafiq Wazzan has said he would not carry on any more talks on ways to resolve the Lebanese crisis until the Israeli blockade of Beirut had been lifted.

As Arab and other efforts were underway on the international level to find a solution to the crisis and ensure Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon, agency reports spoke of bombs exploding overnight at the Lebanese and French consulates in New York. There were no casualties as a result of the explosions for which a telephone caller, identifying himself as a member of the militant Jewish Defense League (JDL), claimed responsibility. A JDL spokesman denied this but said "we do applaud this action."

A spokesman for the White House, meanwhile announced that negotiations on Palestinian armed presence in west Beirut had reached a very sensitive stage threatening a solution for the crisis with delay. He said that President Reagan had urged a speedy solution to avert an expansion of the fighting.

Change policy, UAE tells U.S.

ABU DHABI, July 6 (AFP) — The United Arab Emirates National Council has called on the United States to change its Middle East policies, particularly on the Palestinian issue.

At a special session Monday on the "current Arab situation following the Israeli invasion of Lebanon," the council, the federal parliament, called on the United States to recognize "the right of the Palestinian people to create its own state on its national territory," a communiqué said.

The council considered that "continuing American support of the Zionist enemy is a direct aggression against the Arab and Islamic nation, which will affect and threaten American interests in the region," the communiqué added.

The council said the Emirates should work to "reunite Arab ranks" and asked the Gulf Cooperation Council to call for an Arab summit, the communiqué said.

The council said Arab leaders must review their relations with Israel and study the possibility of withdrawing Arab funds from the United States and stopping the flow of Arab oil unless Washington halted all political and economic aid to Israel. It also advised the United States to suspend arms shipments to the Jewish state.

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Cabinet views reports on Lebanon, King's talks

TAIF, July 6 (SPA) — The Council of Ministers met here Monday night under Crown Prince Abdullah, also commander of the National Guard, with a major share of deliberations devoted to the situation in Lebanon. The ministers also discussed the Kingdom's Third Five-Year Development Plan.

Information Minister Dr. Muhammad

Jeddah street works discussed

JEDDAH, July 6 (SPA) — Jeddah Municipality's higher coordination committee met here Monday to discuss the improvement of the city's streets and review applications for electricity and sewage extensions to new residential areas.

The meeting, held under Dr. Abdul Mujeed Daghhestani, the committee's chairman, also urged heads of municipality's branches to pursue projects currently under the implementation. Representatives of companies involved in street improvement projects as well as municipality branch directors attended the meeting.

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Dhuhr (Noon)	12:25	12:26	11:57	11:44	12:09	12:38
Assr (Afternoon)	3:43	3:48	3:19	3:11	3:35	4:10
Maghreb (Sunset)	7:08	7:15	6:47	6:37	7:02	7:36
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Makkah water pumping returns to normal level

TAIF, July 6 (SPA) — The pumping of water to Makkah from Madig sources is back to normal after an interruption caused by recent floods which destroyed pipelines. officials announced Tuesday.

King Fahd had ordered allocation of SR40 million to repair damage done to the pipelines.

Western Region Water and Sewage Authority Director General Fahid Al-Sulaiman said Tuesday that a new 23-kilometer pipeline has been laid down at a cost of SR26 million. The pipes have been lowered 2.5 meters below the surface and are protected by concrete bars in areas where floods are anticipated. He said the move will prevent destruction of the pipelines in the future.

On the other hand, Sulaiman said that the authority has commissioned the largest water scheme for Taif at a cost of SR2.6 billion. The project covers water and sewage networks in all districts of Taif, in addition to a drainage system and treatment plants for recirculated water used in irrigated gardens. These projects are to be completed over a period of three years, he added.

Salloum okays summer scout activity program

RIYADH, July 6 (SPA) — The summer program for scout activity in all educational regions of the Kingdom was approved Tuesday by Education Undersecretary for Student Affairs Dr. Hamad Al-Salloum.

The program, allocated a budget of SR417,740, comprises of five scout service plans. The first is a project to serve people who come to perform the umrah (minor pilgrimage) which began in Makkah Monday and lasts until July 20. About 140 scouts will take part in this project.

The second is a boy scout camp to be held in Taif July 31 to Aug. 5 with 234 scouts participating. The third camp is scheduled for Abha Aug. 4 to 14 with a similar number of participants; the fourth will be held in Baha for scout leaders Aug. 10 and 19; and the last camp will revolve round a wooden badge study in Taif for boy scouts and leaders between Aug. 7 and 14. Two scout leaders for each educational department in the country will participate in the camp.

Bank grants SR31.9m agricultural loans

AHSA, July 6 (SPA) — Loans granted by the Eastern Province's Agricultural Bank during the period between May 24 and July 21 amounted to SR31.9 million. The number of loans reached 209, according to the bank's statement.

Farmer, fishermen and dairy farm owners benefited from the loans, according to Uwaifer. The funds presented to farmers served an area of 7,345 dunum of land, of which 3,082 dunums were exploited.

On the other hand, agricultural assistance granted by the bank of farmers and poultry and dairy farm owners during the same period amounted to SR6.4 million. Uwaifer

stated.

In another development, the Agricultural and water ministry's Dharma branch has treated or immunized 5,400 head of sheep, 2,000 head of goats, 3,200 head of camels and 210 head of cattle during the past three months.

According to *Al-Nadwa* Tuesday, the branch also has developed 20 experimental farms and several summer nurseries for vegetables.

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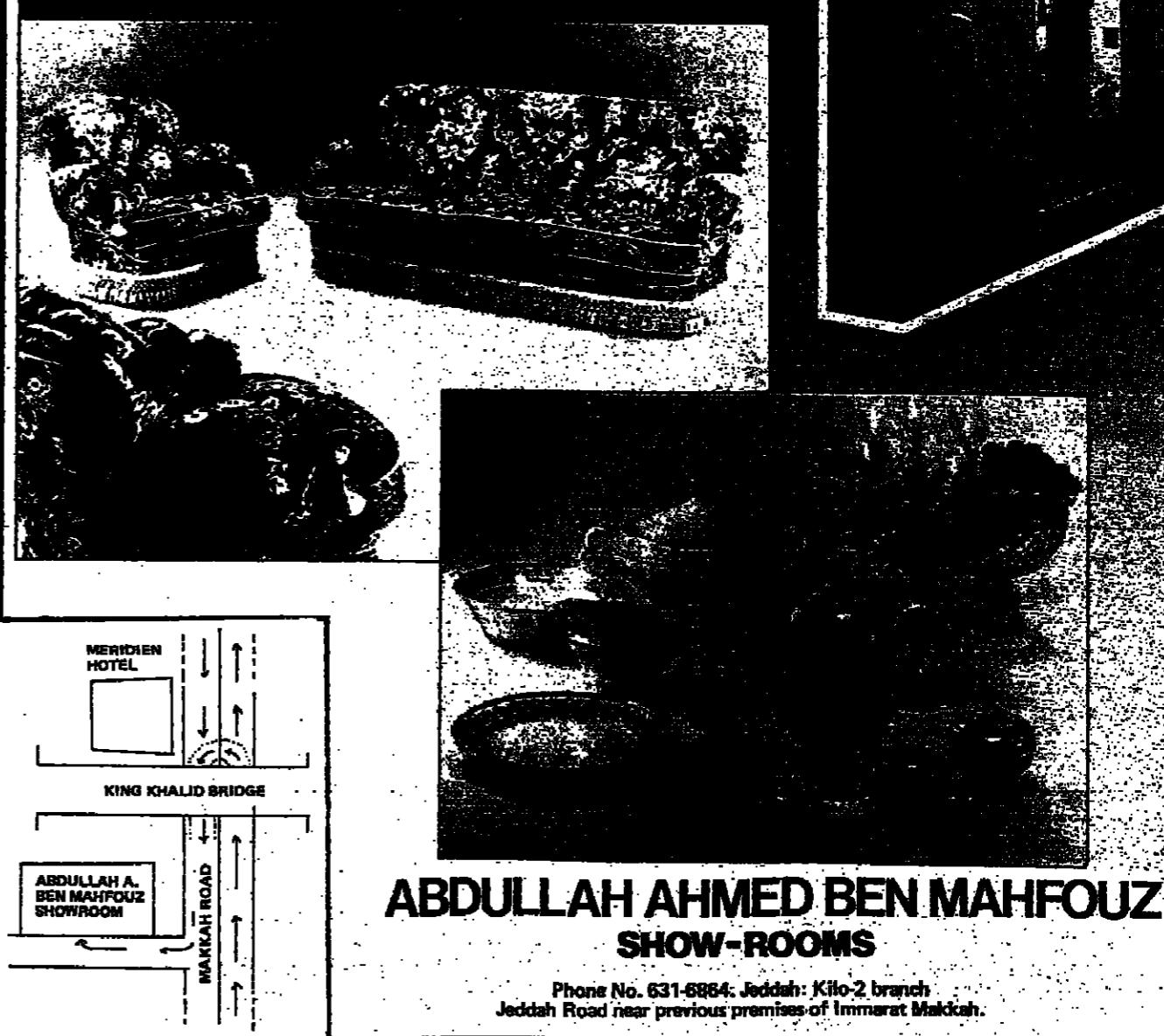
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Neuro-psychiatry center operating in full swing

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, July 6.—A unique hospital, known to be the first center in the Middle East specializing in neuro-psychiatric treatment, has started functioning in full swing at the King Fahd Street in Jeddah.

The Dr. M. Erfan Hospital, constructed with a total investment of SR80 million, has psychiatric, neurology and neuro-surgery departments in addition to the other related specialties such as thermology, ENT (ear, nose and throat), dental care, general medicine, cardiology, plastic surgery, physical medicines and radiology sections served by fully up-to-date laboratory, says its chairman and head of medical board, Dr. Muhammad Ahmad Erfan. The hospital has been jointly set up by Dr. Erfan and Ahmad Bakar Baged.

The initial start-up began in January, 1982, and operations gradually increased. The hospital was officially inaugurated by Makkah Governor Prince Majed, May 20, 1982. With 150 beds already under service, the hospital is in the midst of an expansion program which will add a further 80 beds. Expected to be completed in a year, the adjoining building will house a cardiology center, sections for gynecology and obstetrics and a health farm

for body weight control, says Dr. Erfan.

The hospital has 20 doctors trained and experienced in the United States, Britain and Egypt; 20 technicians and 100 nursing staff from the U.S., Britain and Philippines. It has two intensive care units and two fully equipped operating rooms, one for micro-neurosurgical procedures and the other for plastic and general surgery. The neurosurgical department contains 15 beds with a continuous monitoring system through a closed circuit television.

The neuro-radiological diagnostic center is equipped with the most modern, \$1 million worth, whole-body C.T. Scanner (Computerized tomography), besides all other general and neuro-radiological specialized procedures. Its advanced laboratory provides a fully automated hormonal, biochemical and histo-pathological services. It also provides a special service for the addiction unit of the hospital.

The physical medicine and rehabilitation department is equipped to diagnose and treat most central and peripheral nervous lesions.

Among these is an advanced rehabilitation unit which represents an important part of the center for nutritional disorders and ones

ity. The dental clinic is equipped for orthodontics and advanced dental surgery.

Dr. Erfan says the idea of setting up this unique venture was based on the fact that there was no such specialist center in the Middle East. "Psychiatric patient should be

treated in his own culture," he says. The proposal has become a reality today with the full cooperation of the ministries of health and interior. It also has support of Prince Majed, King Abdul Aziz University and Cairo University.

Dr. Erfan says 50 percent of the patients come from outside the Western Region and some of them even from Kuwait and Qatar.

In addition, the hospital benefits from the government's incentive policy approved recently for private hospitals. Fifteen percent of the hospital's beds are paid for by the state all year round, whether occupied or not. The ministry of health recommends the patients who enjoy this benefit.

The head of neurosurgery department, Dr. Namer Azzam, says, one-third of the workload is head injuries. Other problems are mainly concerned with brain and spinal tumors, vascular anomalies and degenerative diseases such as disc-protrusion in the lumber and cervical spine. This is the only neurosurgery unit in Middle East equipped with operating micro-scope.

Dr. Talal Beydoun, American board fellow in diagnostic radiology, says "in addition to the whole-body C.T. scanning machine, his department is planning to introduce computerized nuclear cardiology, a state of art in studying cardio-vascular diseases."

MAKKAH, (SPA) — Islamic propagation activities in Africa, and especially in Sudan, were reviewed during a meeting here Tuesday between Muslim World League Assistant Secretary General Muhammad Safwat Al-Saqqa and the Sudanese Ambassador to the Kingdom Abdul Latif Dahab.

The officials agreed that Khartoum host

the permanent headquarters of the Continental Council of Mosques for Africa. The Muslim world league also is preparing to open a permanent bureau in Khartoum. The meeting dealt with finding an appropriate site for a proposed Islamic center which will comprise of a large mosque and other administrative and cultural facilities.

MAKKAH, (SPA) — The Holy Quran Memorization Group will hold its annual ceremony here July 12 under the auspices of Makkah Governor Prince Majed, officials reported.

KUALA LUMPUR, (SPA) — An Islamic

BRIEFS

JEDDAH — The Jeddah Committee for the Release of Indebted Prisoners has freed 345 inmates since its inception in 1978, according to its annual report publicized recently. All in all, it has spent SR22 million on people imprisoned for not being able to pay their debts or those who could not afford to pay fines.

MAKKAH, (SPA) — Islamic propagation activities in Africa, and especially in Sudan,

bank with a capital of \$43 million dollars will be opened here next year, Malaysian Prime Minister Dr. Mahathir Mohammad said Tuesday. He added that the government will submit a draft resolution to the parliament in October to endorse the formation of the bank which will operate in accordance with the Islamic Sharia. The prime minister said the bank will not affect operations of other commercial banks in Malaysia.

JEDDAH — Makkah's acting mayor, Abdullah ibn Sadeeq, issued firm instructions to heads of municipality branches in the holy city to prevent trash fires. He was quoted by Okaz as saying that smoke emanating from garbage is hazardous to public health. The branches were requested to take written promises from garbage collection truck drivers to prevent starting fires on trash.

AHSA, (SPA) — The Jafri Welfare Society has distributed Ramadan assistance to more than 320 families in its area of jurisdiction, it announced Tuesday. Meanwhile Qadib Social Services Welfare Society is currently building a charity clinic at a cost of SR6 million. It is expected to be completed by the end of this year. The society also distributed recently Ramadan assistance to needy families.

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For Lebanon solution

Dutch premier says America holds key

CAIRO, July 6 (Agencies) — Dutch Prime Minister Dries Van Agt has said the U.S. government and not the European Community has the key for a solution to the Lebanese conflict.

"The most efficient way of bringing about a settlement in Lebanon is to put pressure on the U.S. administration because it, and not the Community, has the key for a solution in Lebanon," Van Agt said.

The Dutch leader, who is also his country's foreign minister, was speaking to reporters after a 90-minute meeting with Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali. "We have discussed in depth the Middle East situation and especially the current crisis in Lebanon and we found that there were no basic differences in the two countries' positions," he added.

He said both countries shared the view that Israel should not push into West Beirut, all foreign troops should withdraw from Lebanon and that there should be a strong central government in Beirut exerting real authority on all parts of the country.

European Community leaders last month called for the immediate withdrawal of Israeli forces from around Beirut and for the simultaneous exit of Palestinian commandos. No active steps were taken to seek peace in Lebanon.

Van Agt, who also had talks with President Hosni Mubarak, told reporters at the presidential palace that the European Community could not impose economic sanctions on Israel for its invasion. "This would be a violation of the EEC-Israeli cooperation agreement of 1975," he explained.

When asked later at the foreign ministry whether the Israeli action was not itself a violation of all international laws, Van Agt said: "I hope you agree with me that one violation does not justify another." Van Agt arrived here Sunday night on a four-day official visit to talk on the latest Middle East developments and bilateral relations which

Equipment sought from Turkey

Iran bombs Basra -- Iraq

PARIS, July 6 (Agencies) — Iraq warned Monday Iran that Iranian bombardment of Iraqi towns and civilian installations will bring "violent and energetic retaliation," the news agency INA said in a report monitored here.

Quoting a military communiqué, INA said that Iranian forces Monday twice bombarded "residential districts and civilian installations of vital importance" in the Iraqi city of Basra near the Iranian border.

According to the communiqué, 19 Iranians and six Iraqis were killed in fighting in all areas of the front in southwestern Iran, during clashes which Baghdad said were instigated by the Iranians.

Iraq last week announced it had pulled back to the international frontier in a new attempt to end its long and costly conflict with its neighbor. But Iran said Iraqi troops were still occupying parts of its border provinces and the two sides continued to shell each other. INA, quoting a military communiqué,

he described as excellent.

Emerging from an hour-long meeting with Van Agt, President Mubarak told Dutch reporters that the European Economic Community should coordinate efforts to solve the Lebanese crisis with the United States which he said holds 99 percent of the cards of the game.

"Any European initiative would not be effective without coordination with the United States ... Europe should cooperate with the U.S. within the framework of the United Nations," Mubarak said when asked whether he expected an EEC initiative to solve the crisis. When asked about a statement by Van Agt that Egypt and the EEC are in agreement on how to solve the problem, Mubarak said "I believe so, but let us be frank and realistic, this needs coordination with America."

He replied "Yes, I declared this several times," when asked whether this meant that nothing could be achieved without the help of the United States and that Washington still holds 99 percent of the cards as his predecessor, the late President Anwar Sadat had used to say. Van Agt later in the day visited Sadat's tomb for a wreath-laying ceremony.

Mubarak said that Israel does not want the leaders of the PLO to remain in Lebanon

"and this is an Arab problem and not Egypt's responsibility alone. The Arab countries should participate in the problem."

In London, an emergency committee formed to oppose the invasion of Lebanon Monday voiced grave concern over the British information media's "unfactual" reporting of the invasion and called for a "balanced and unbiased" coverage.

The committee, which includes members of the House of Commons and the House of Lords, has urged the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) and the Fleet Street newspapers to receive a delegation from the committee to discuss the importance of balanced news coverage of the invasion.

Red Cross has dig at Israelis

GENEVA, July 6 (AP) — In an unusually blunt appeal directed at "all sides" but implicitly criticizing Israel, the International Red Cross committee Monday called for more cooperation in allowing visits to combatants imprisoned during the Lebanon conflict.

Since the fighting broke out June 6, the Red Cross has been able to visit only a total of 52 prisoners, a "small number (it is) scarcely satisfied" with, said a Red Cross communiqué, calling on "all sides" to respect the 1949 Geneva conventions vesting the agency with authority to visit prisoners of war.

On July 2, Prime Minister Menachem Begin said Israel was holding 3,832 Palestinians captured in the fighting and 1,168 others from Syria, other Arab states and non-Arab countries. While considering the Syrians prisoners of war, it has denied all other captives this status. The PLO which says it holds a lone Israeli pilot already visited by the humanitarian agency, has said all its captives would be prisoners of war.

A Red Cross official who declined to be identified said his organization regarded all those captured in combat as prisoners of war, "although some parties see this differently." Expressing its "gravest alarm" at the Lebanon's situation, the all-Swiss humanitarian agency also directed a renewed appeal to Israel and the PLO to guarantee the safety of Beirut's civilian population, "in particular, women and children."

U.K., Yugoslavia assail invasion

BELGRADE, July 6 (R) — Britain and Yugoslavia condemned the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in speeches at a dinner for British Foreign Secretary Francis Pym here Monday night.

Pym, who arrived for a two-day official visit in the morning, said Britain understood Israel's need for security but the military defeat of the Palestinian people and the occupation of Arab lands would never bring real security. "There can be no justification for Israel's invasion of Lebanon," he said. "Lasting peace in the Middle East must reconcile the rights of both Israel and the Palestinians."

His host, Foreign Minister Lazar Mojsov, denounced what he described as Israel's policy of "brutal and permanent aggression" in the Middle East. Without specifying them, he referred to the responsibility of forces and countries which "enable, protect and even reward such policies."

A spokesman for the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce, a semi-government agency, said the Iraqi request was received through the Turkish Defense Ministry in Ankara. The official, who requested anonymity, said the request covered 17 items including boilers, divers' gear, military tents, rubber shoes, socks, gloves, fiberglass helmets and rain coats. No estimated value was given in the Iraqi letter, he said.

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Following the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, President Chadli said in a message to the nation that the occasion could only be marked symbolically. The anniversary program included a presidential inauguration of a martyrs' monument, Maqam Esh-Shahid, erected on a hill overlooking the city.

Rising 92 meters, with three curved concrete shafts leaning on each other, the monument was designed by Canadian firms. Diplomatic sources said it cost \$87 million.

The anniversary of Algerian independence, declared July 5, 1962, was also marked by granting some prisoners remission and awarding promotions and decorations to military personnel. The official daily newspaper *Al Moudjahid* said Algerians could be proud of the work accomplished since independence.

Military judge releases five Kurdish rebels

ISTANBUL, July 6 (Agencies) — A military judge has ordered the release of five men on trial for participating in the illegal activities of a Kurdish separatist group.

The five were among 46 persons implicated in the alleged subversive activities of Kawa, which sought to set up a Kurdish state in southeastern Turkey. Their trial will continue, but the five will not have to wait in jail for its conclusion. One of those released faced the death penalty.

Kawa was among the half a dozen Kurdish armed gangs that were active in Kurdish-inhabited provinces of eastern Turkey prior to the September 1980 military takeover. More than 2,000 suspected Kurdish activists have been rounded up in several eastern provinces following the crackdown on separatist organization. Kurds make up an estimated seven percent of Turkey's 46 million inhabitants.

Meanwhile, a 25 percent increase in taxi fares, well below the 65 percent sought by operators, went into effect Monday here.

The association of taxis and dolmuses — shared taxis — in Istanbul had demanded a 65 percent jump in fares to cover raises in gasoline prices in the last few months. The government has slapped a new 10 percent hike in gasoline and petroleum products two weeks ago to meet the rising import bill.

The city council met last Friday and decreed a 25 percent increase in fares of the estimated 80,000 privately-owned taxis and dolmuses in the province.

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Arab panel, Cheysson ponder crisis

PARIS, July 6 (R) — Algerian Foreign Minister Ahmad Taleb Ibrahimi arrived in Paris Monday as a member of an Arab delegation and held talks with French Minister of External Relations Claude Cheysson.

Arab diplomats would not say what the group discussed with Cheysson. They said Ibrahimi was joined in the talks by Rashid Abdulla Al-Nuaimi, minister of state for foreign affairs of the United Arab Emirates, and Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) political department.

The three-man delegation is part of a major diplomatic offensive by Arab states to secure a withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanon. Kaddoumi flew in from Moscow, where he held talks on Lebanon with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

Arab diplomatic teams are visiting the permanent member states of the United Nations Security Council — the Soviet Union, France, Britain, China and the United States.

Meanwhile, a high-ranking French Foreign Ministry delegation held talks in Amman with King Hussein and other Jordanian officials on ways to solve the crisis in Lebanon, an official announcement said.

Francis Gutman, secretary-general of the French External Affairs Ministry and Bruno Delaive, counselor to Claude Cheysson, have been touring Middle East capitals to offer French help for ending the war in Lebanon and averting an Israeli invasion of West Beirut.

The Jordanian announcement said Foreign Minister Marwan Kasseb met with the French envoys and appealed to France to use its good offices with the European Community and the U.N. Security Council to emphasize the "dangers of the Israeli aggression."

The delegation met with the Jordanian monarch later Monday before heading to Damascus for talks with Syrian officials.

Gutman and Delaive have already visited Lebanon and Israel, where they were told by an angry Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir that France should stay out of diplomatic efforts to remove Palestinian commandos from Lebanon.

Relations between France and Israel, which were strengthened following President Francois Mitterrand's controversial visit to the Zionist state last March, have deteriorated in recent weeks after declarations by Cheysson which Israel described as siding with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

In another development, France is expected to submit a draft resolution to the United Nations Security Council immediately detailing French-Egyptian proposals to end the war in Lebanon and ease Israel's battle with the Palestinians. It will be the

second French stand against a possible U.S. veto, which killed another recent initiative by France to end the month-long fighting.

The latest document varies from the first in that it calls for recognition of the Palestinians' right to self-determination as well as the mutual and simultaneous recognition by all parties involved in the Israeli-Arab conflict, the source said.

"(In Cairo, Kamal Hassan Ali said Monday that the joint proposal 'complements' negotiations undertaken in Beirut by U.S. special envoy Philip Habib and was 'in perfect accord' with the Camp David agreement calling for an overall settlement to the Middle East conflict.)

A rough sketch of the proposals has already been circulated to Security Council

members. A French source said the United States reacted with extreme hesitation, Israel flatly rejected them, but the Arab countries appeared positive.

French diplomatic circles in Paris added that Arab countries were prepared to accept Israel's right to exist as a state if, in turn, Israel recognizes the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and accepts the Palestine Liberation Organization as their representative.

In London, Arab representatives and British religious leaders will hold a meeting Thursday to discuss the Israeli invasion, an Arab League official said. He said the purpose of the meeting was to explain to British religious leaders the current grave situation in Lebanon.

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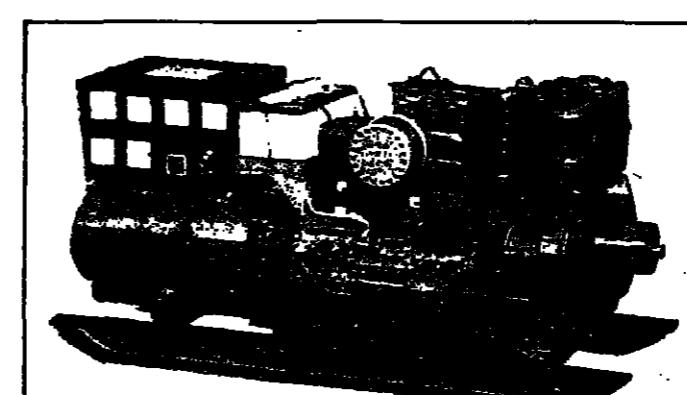
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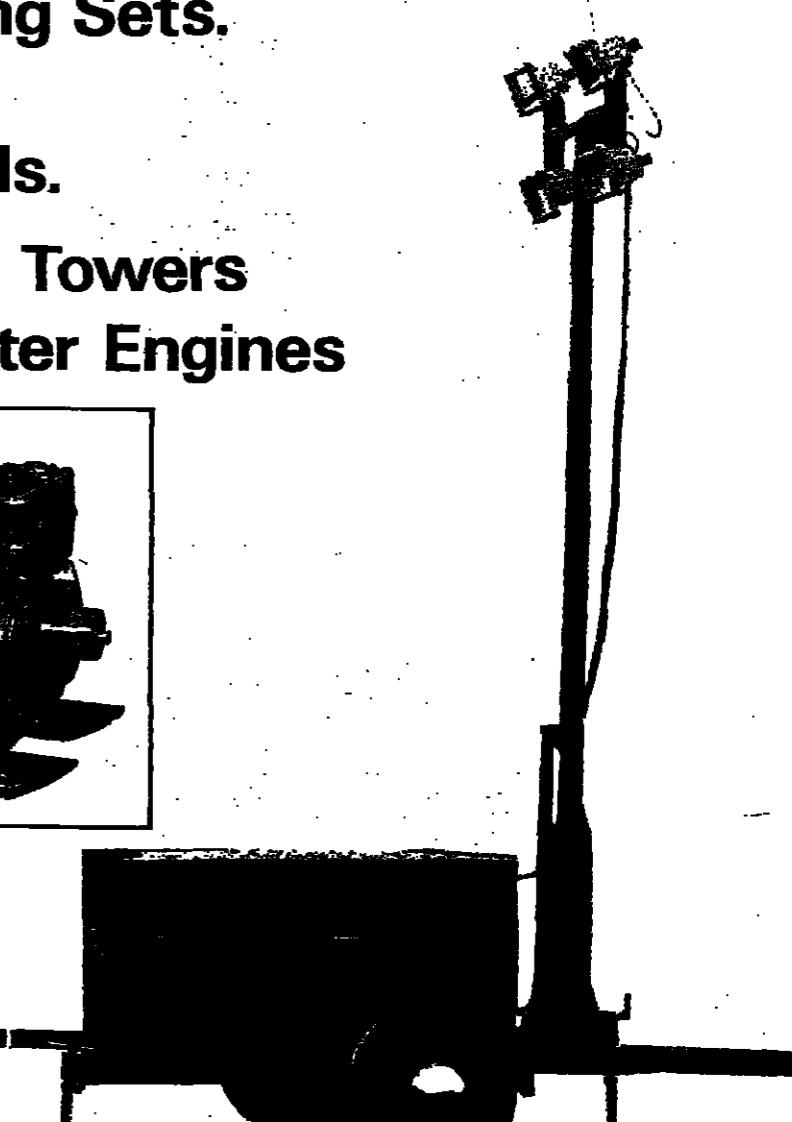
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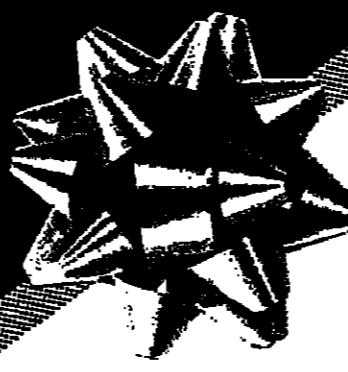
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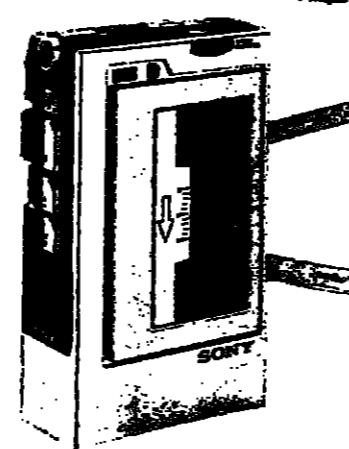
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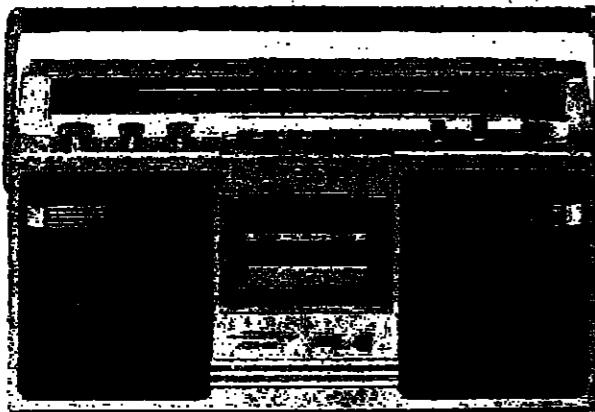
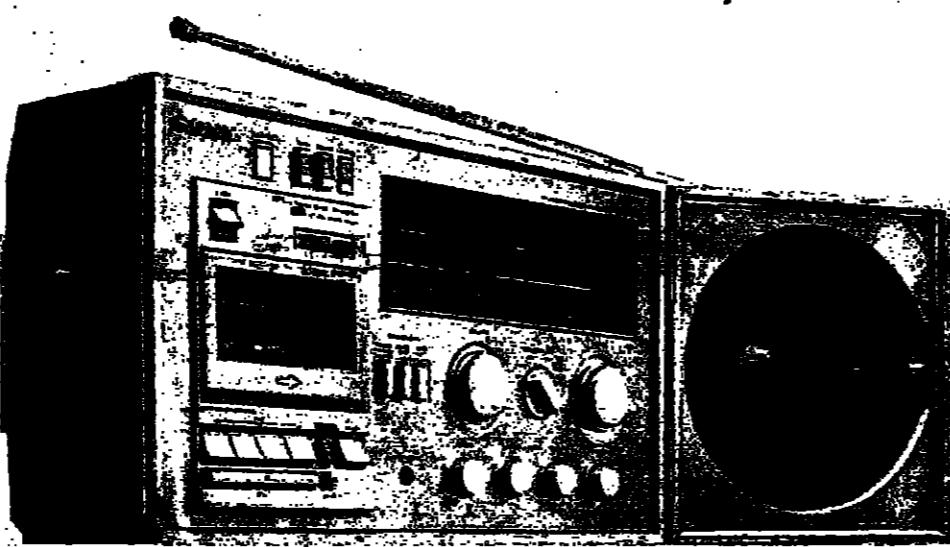
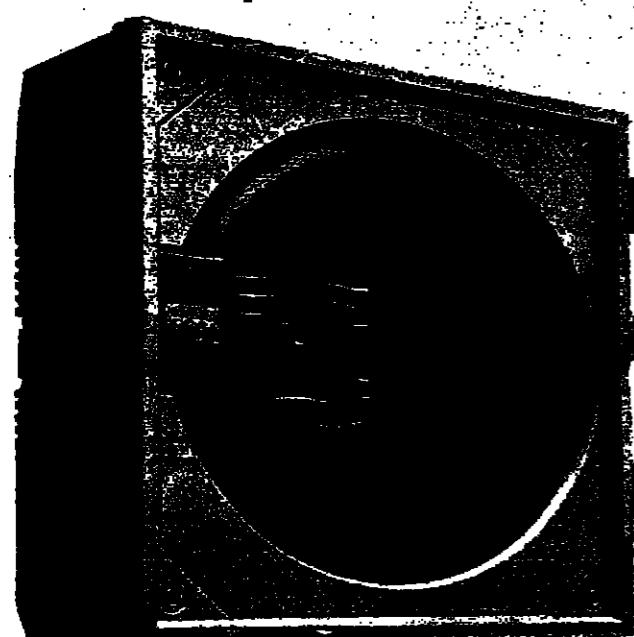
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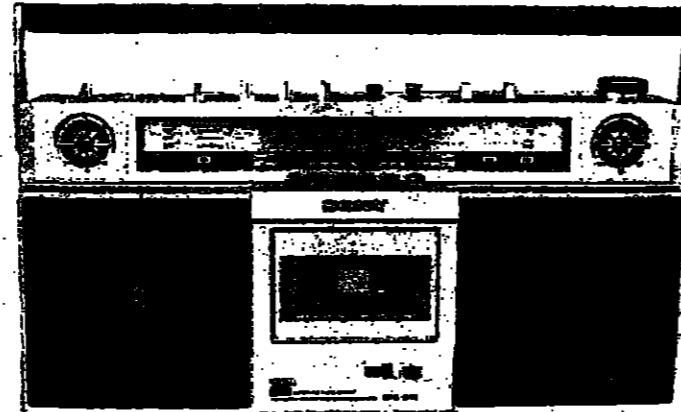
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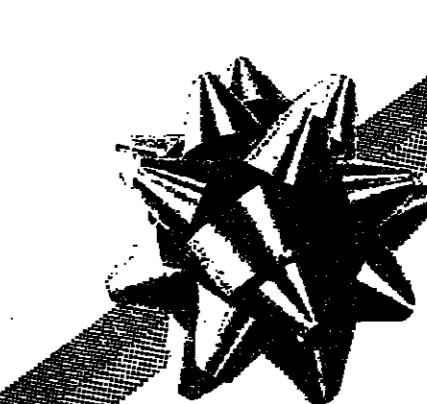
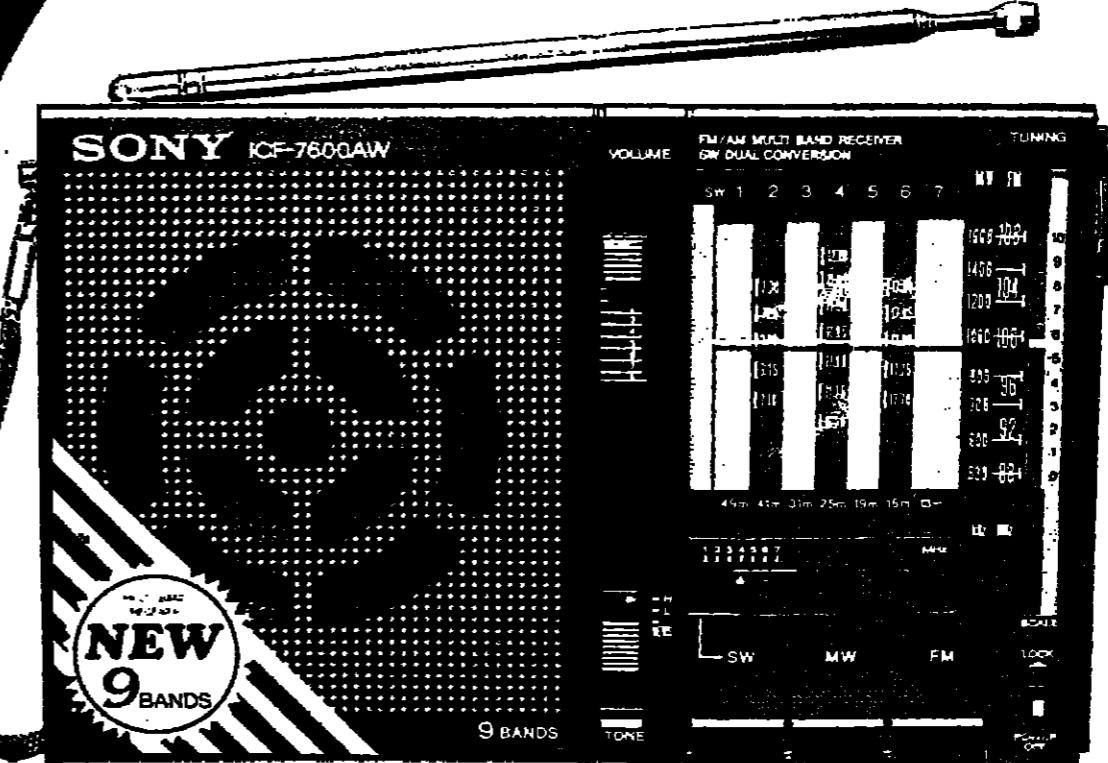
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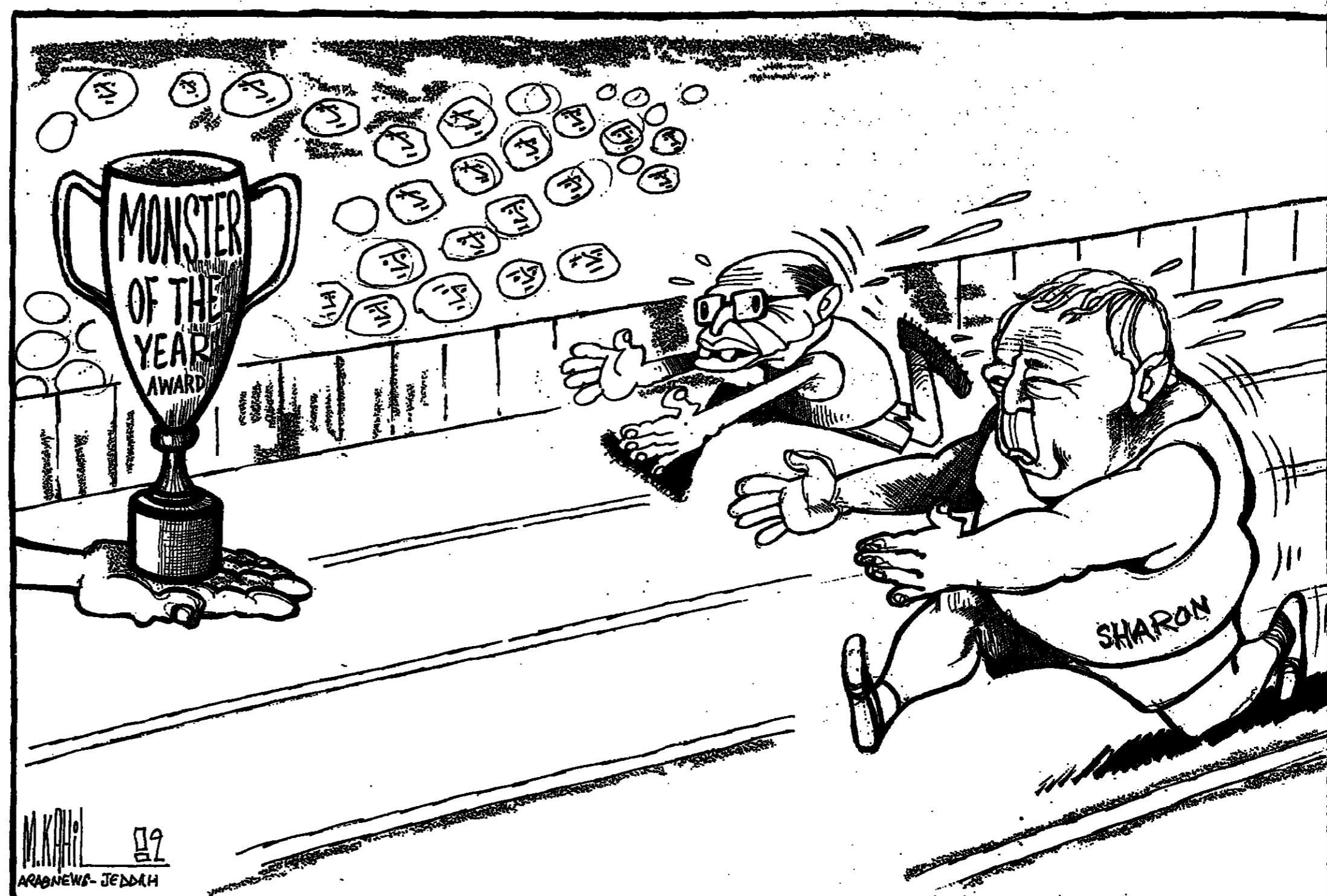
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Ariel Sharon: The architect of massacres against Palestinians

"In this war," Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin said, "nothing rolled." He meant that every step of the Lebanese invasion was subject to cabinet approval. Unlike the 1967 war, when Defense Minister Moshe Dayan's tank commanders stretched their orders and rolled on to the Suez Canal, the politicians were in control.

But one man did roll, Ariel Sharon, Begin's single-minded defense minister, who had been thirsting for a chance to smash the Palestinian commandos ever since he took office 10 months ago. Twice since the beginning of this year the army had been alerted, but twice his cabinet colleagues restrained him.

Sharon is not, however, a man to take no for an answer. "It is impossible to stop Sharon," wrote the Israeli weekly *Ha'olam Hazek*. "While everyone tires of the struggle against him, he remains as stubborn as ever. When he sets himself a goal, he does not let go. He may fail once, twice, five times but he attacks again and again. He never lets go until his goal is achieved."

Sharon fought a private war of attrition exploiting every Palestinian provocation, trading on the awe with which Begin regards his' generals. Bit by bit the resistance was chipped away. The attempt on the life of the Israeli ambassador in London, Shlomo Argov, followed by heavy Palestinian shelling of border settlements, picked off the remaining doubts. Sharon got a chance to claim that there could be a military solution to the problem of Palestinian resistance.

He and his hawkish chief of staff, Lt.-Gen. Rafael Eitan, were ready. The plans had been drawn up, the standing army concentrated in the north (Egypt might protest, but would not jettison the peace treaty and join an Arab war front). Once again "Arik" Sharon had got his way.

The burly, 54-year-old ex-general with the shoulders of a fighting bull and the paunch of an all-in wrestler, ran the war commuting between the cabinet room and the command bunker. Other ministers complained that they were presented with pre-cooked decisions. Opposition protests at the extension of the war aims from a 25-mile security belt to the gates of Beirut were swept aside as

disloyal.

If he was checked at all, it was over taking the battle into the Lebanese capital itself. The cabinet, Sharon said on television, had given explicit instructions to him and the army not to enter the city but to stay on the outskirts. The decision to halt there, he added, was taken by a cabinet majority. Sharon is widely suspected of having voted with the minority. For once, it seems the defense minister acknowledged political limits.

For the moment, Sharon is playing the diplomatic game. Yes, he says, Israeli troops will not withdraw until all foreign forces (including Syrian and Palestinian) agree to leave Lebanon. But no, Israel must not dictate a new political order to the Lebanese. The Phalangists, presumably, can be left to play Israel's cards for it.

But will Sharon be content to mark time? Few who know him believe he will especially if the diplomacy drags on through the summer, keeping the army across the border and thousands of reservists mobilized. Sharon is above all an activist, with the additional incentive this time that the long-term success or failure of "Operation Peace for Galilee" will determine his political future, the succession to Begin. He is neither patient nor tactful. As a field commander, he was aggressive.

Sharon has made a virtue of indiscipline. In the early 1950s he created Unit 101 in his own boisterous image. Its task was to strike across the border in retaliation for Palestinian attacks. On one reprisal raid, on the Jordanian village of Qibya in 1953, Sharon and his men killed 69 civilians, half of them women and children, when they blew up their houses. The commander claimed they believed the buildings were empty. The prime minister, David-Ben-Gurion, disowned him.

During the Six Day War, three years later, Sharon disobeyed orders and dropped with his paratroops in the Mitla Pass. It was a costly and unnecessary operation in which 38 Israelis died and 120 were wounded. The chief of staff, Moshe Dayan, wrote in his diary of the 1956 campaign that Sharon was saved from court martial because under the Israeli military doctrine you punished a commander for

doing too little, not for doing too much.

In 1973, when he was mobilized to lead a reserve division, Sharon was constantly at odds with his superiors, especially Haim Barlev, a minister in Golda Meir's Labor government, who had been called back to coordinate the chaotic southern front. Israelis dubbed it "the war of the generals."

Sharon brought the same exuberance into politics. He was born on a cooperative, Kfar Ma'al in the plain of Sharon, of East European immigrant farmers. His grandmother had been Begin's mid-wife and his grandfather an ally of Begin's father in the Zionist terrorist movement in Brest Litovsk. Kfar Ma'al was affiliated to the Labor movement but Sharon's parents were independent-minded people who quarreled with their neighbors over the assassination of a Labor leader, Haim Arlosoroff, in 1933, which split the Jewish community of Palestine and is still a bone of contention half a century later.

By the time he had reached the upper reaches of the army, Sharon was regarded by the ruling Labor establishment as politically unsafe. As governor of the Gaza Strip and later chief of Southern Command, he ruthlessly suppressed Palestinian resistance and created a sophisticated defensive network in the Sinai Peninsula.

Yet Golda Meir denied him the last military goal he had set himself. Sharon was left in no doubt that he would not be made chief of staff. A few months before the 1973 war, he resigned from the army, joined the right-wing Liberal Party, and threw himself into the preliminaries of the 1973 general election. The Liberals, already in partnership with Begin's Herut, were negotiating for a wider anti-Labor coalition but the bargaining had gone stale and it looked as if nothing would come of it. Sharon took up the task with the indiscipline of a political novice and the vigor of a bulldozer. The outcome was the Likud.

Before the Likud could be tested at the polls, the October war intervened. Despite the postwar disengagement, Meir's government clung to power. The Likud remained in opposition, and Sharon found no satisfaction on the back benches. He res-

igned his seat, took a non-job as adviser on counter-terrorism to the new prime Minister, Yitzhak Rabin, and had one more shot at the chief of staff's baton. When that again eluded him, he sought a way back into politics.

Sharon flirted with the revisionist Democratic Movement for Change, but Yigael Yadin and its other founding fathers kept him at arm's length. He ran instead on his own list in the 1977 elections and won two seats on his same alone. Begin offered him a cabinet post and before long he had joined Herut.

He was disappointed at not receiving the defense portfolio, but was consoled by the fact that the ministry of agriculture was responsible for Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In four years, with a mixture of guile and will power, he had changed the face of the West Bank. Some 60 settlements were planned among the Arab towns and villages of the hill country, which had been left vacant by the Labor administration to keep open an option of territorial compromise. Sharon closed it.

He wants the Jews to settle in the whole land of occupied Palestine. Like Begin he maintains that Palestinian rights can be satisfied within the Camp David autonomy framework, home rule under Israeli tutelage. So far his efforts to impose civilian administration on the reluctant Palestinians have failed dismally.

Nonetheless, it was Sharon who provided Begin with his alibi for sacrificing the score of Jewish settlements in Sinai as the price for peace with Egypt. In the darkest days of the Camp David summit, when Anwar Sadat's initiative looked on the point of collapse, Sharon telephoned Begin and urged him to yield the settlements if their evacuation was the last obstacle.

To top his aggressive policies, Sharon has suggested Jordan as the venue for a Palestinian state.

"The capital of Palestine is Amman. The Palestinian state is Jordan. We should help the Palestinians in establishing their state in Jordan, where they constitute the majority of the population," he said. (ONS)

Comecon plagued by economic inefficiency

By Mark Frankland

In the last decade most of them had tried to modernize by borrowing Western money to buy Western technology. The results varied from the disastrous (Poland) to the satisfactory (Hungary). Choking this relationship now would be like depriving a growing child of some essential vitamins.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Tikhonov told the Comecon meeting that some NATO countries hoped to "shatter the economic life of the Socialist countries (and) finally dissolve our unity and extort political concessions."

In fact both the Russian's fears and Reagan's hopes seem exaggerated.

Alarm about East European indebtedness combined with the difficulty of selling Eastern goods in a depressed Western market were already slowing East-West trade last year. Western exports to East Europe (Russia excluded) fell by 16 percent in

first half of last year and imports by 7 percent. Eastern countries are faced with having to spend more of their export earnings just on paying back their debts. Economics casts more of a spell on East-West trade today than politics.

Fear and hope is also exaggerated because of the nature of the Soviet economy and its problems. In the first place the Russians depend on trade with the West far less than the East Europeans.

Western exports make up from 5 to 10 percent of Soviet capital investment. Their "general impact is probably marginal," according to British expert Stephen Woolcock in a Chatham House paper "Western Policies on East-West trade," though foreign technology has been more important in specific sectors like the Soviet chemical industry.

The latter would be affected by Western credit or export restrictions, though perhaps only temporarily. But does the ability of the Soviet economy to bring itself up to date depend on Western imports? Or is it a matter of reorganizing an economy which at present discourages modernization?

The eminent Soviet economist Trapeznikov, who has been something of a reformist since the Khrushchev days, has just published an outspoken article in *Pravda* arguing that it is the latter. He says the Soviet economy will not keep up with science and technology unless it rewards people for producing high quality goods that meet the market's demand.

Trapeznikov makes a most unusual point by complaining that the civilian economy is not forced to be competitive whereas products of Soviet military industry are kept to the mark by constant comparison with foreign rivals.

Trapeznikov's views must be shared by some important Soviet officials, though not those who have been dominating the economy for the last decade.

If the Trapeznikovs are right Ronald Reagan can only do pimpmick damage to the Soviet economy (unless of course he stopped selling American grain). Tikhonov's real enemy is the Soviet economic system as it presently functions. (ONS)

Today is Wednesday, July 7th, the 188th day of 1982. There are 177 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1583 — France's King Henry III is forced to sign Treaty of Meaux with the Guises, under which he capitulates to their demands for revoking all toleration of the Huguenots.

1647 — Naples revolts against Spain.

1718 — Alexis, heir to Russia's Peter the Great, is murdered at instigation of his father.

1801 — Toussaint l'Ouverture, black general, proclaims Elba's independence from France.

1815 — White terror begins in southern France by fanatical royalists against revolutionary elements, Bonapartists and Protestants.

1898 — The United States annexes Island of Hawaii.

1913 — Britain's House of Commons passes Irish home rule bill.

1937 — Troops on maneuvers near Peking clash with Chinese, marking start of Sino-Japanese war.

1956 — Sinhalese becomes official language in Ceylon.

1964 — The Soviet Union reverses previous stand and calls for permanent United Nations force to secure world peace.

1965 — The Soviet Union urges the United States to reconsider North Vietnamese formula to end war in Vietnam.

1972 — Heavy rain in parts of Japan triggers floods and mudslides that take more than 400 lives.

1973 — Iraq executes 23 persons accused of having attempted to overthrow government.

1979 — The United States and China sign new trade agreement granting Peking most-favored nation status.

Thought for today:

Nothing in life is to be feared. It is only to be understood. — Marie Curie, Polish-born physicist (1867-1934).

Letter to the editor

Angry at U.S. government

I am an American woman living in Saudi Arabia. I am Muslim. As every day passes and the news about Lebanon gets worse, I get angrier and angrier, angry at myself, angry at my government. How can our government just ignore the incredible suffering in Lebanon and, to top it all, have the cynicism to veto the French resolution in the U.N.? Please, brother Palestinians and Lebanese, don't let yourself think that the American people are behind our government in these unforgivable acts.

The American people are traditionally kind and generous, and although they might be ignorant or misinformed concerning the political aspects of the Palestinian question in general, it is unthinkable that they could remain, insensitive to plain human suffering such as that presently being inflicted on the people in Lebanon today.

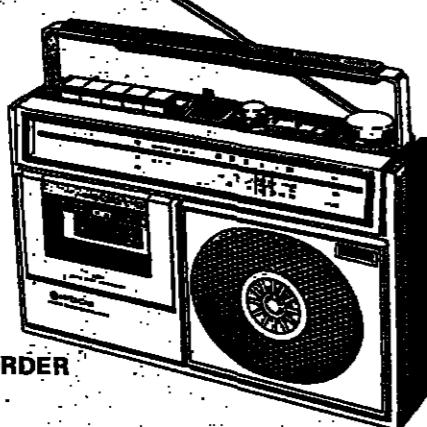
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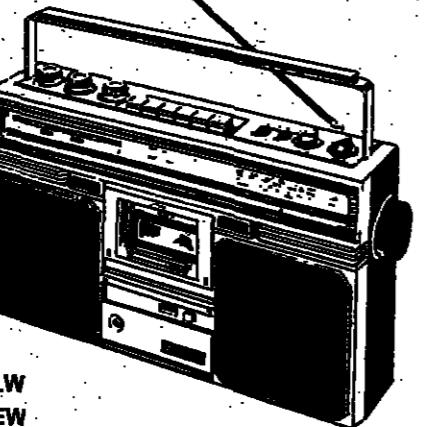
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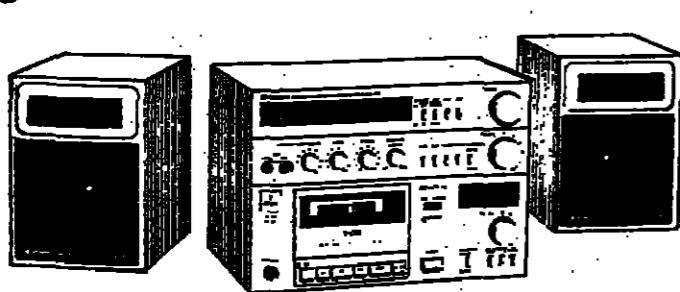
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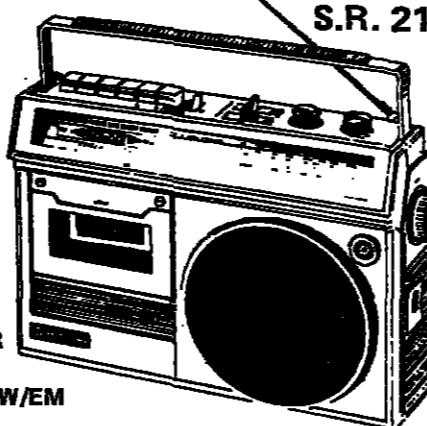
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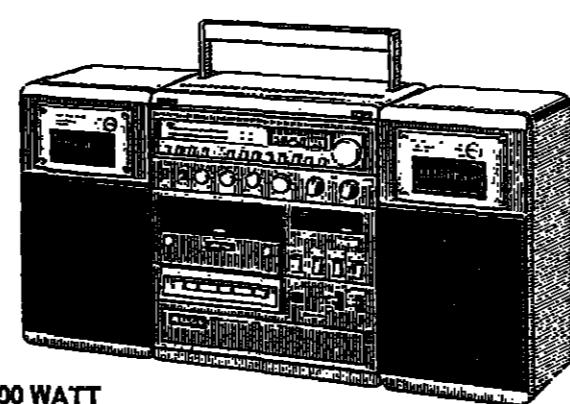
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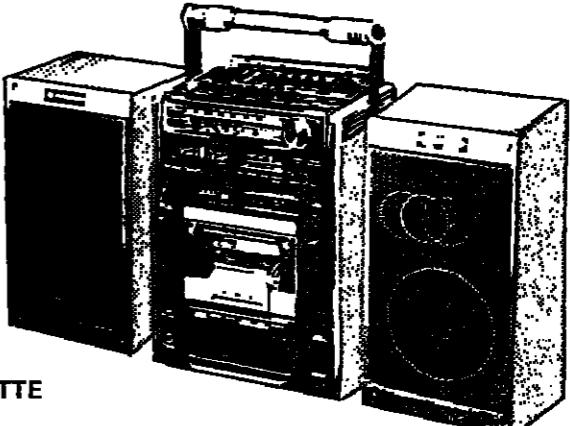
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Strict labeling proposed in U.S.

Birth defects linked to anti-nausea drug

By Morton Mintz

WASHINGTON (WP) — A new warning about possible risks of bendectin, the only government-approved medicine for the "morning sickness" of early pregnancy, is expected to be added to the prescribing instructions for physicians because of new studies that raise questions about possible birth defects.

Concerned about the results of the studies, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) called the manufacturer, Merrell Dow Pharmaceuticals Inc., to a meeting recently at which the FDA discussed the possibility of stricter labeling. A spokesman for Merrell said the company proposed including "additional information on animal studies in the labeling "for the sake of completeness, even though the studies are only preliminary."

Results of a recent lab study indicated a possible link between bendectin and a life-threatening hole in the diaphragm called diaphragmatic hernia. FDA statistics indicate the defect occurs in about 40 of each 10,000 babies exposed to the drug in the first three months of pregnancy. The defect lets the intestines enter the chest and squeeze the lungs, and it is often fatal even in newborns who undergo successful surgery.

The lab study, done in 1981 for the West German Health Ministry, found diaphragmatic hernias in 2 to 5.9 percent of the fetuses of Wistar rats treated with various large doses of the antihistamine ingredient of bendectin, but no hernias in the fetuses of untreated control rats.

In addition, new reviews of statistical sur-

veys have pinpointed an occurrence of the defect among the infants of American women who took either bendectin or anti-nausea anti-histamines.

These results clash with the current officially approved labeling, which gives physicians this assurance: "Studies in rats and rabbits have revealed no suggestion of drug-induced fetal abnormalities at doses of bendectin up to 90 times the maximum human dose." Since 1980, the labeling has advised a woman to use bendectin only if she gets no relief from eating soda crackers or dry toast or drinking hot or cold liquids.

Surgeon-general C. Everett Koop first heard about the studies from Susan McFall, a consultant to Rep. Doug Walgren (Democrat) who has researched bendectin since February 1980.

Hayes agreed to order a complete review of bendectin, which is intended to relieve the nausea and vomiting of the first trimester, when the risk of congenital defects is greatest. During peak sales in the late 1970s 400,000 women annually are estimated to have taken it. Pharmacists in 1981 dispensed 1.9 million new and refill prescriptions, down 25 percent from 1980. The drug is also sold abroad — sometimes over-the-counter — as debendox, lenotan and meribenthal.

Reinhard Roll of Berlin, who did the diaphragm study, concluded in his report: "The occurrence of diaphragmatic hernias was striking, because this malformation has never been seen in all our control (untreated) groups checked so far." At daily doses of at least 100 milligrams per kilogram of body weight, he wrote, the antihistamine ingre-

dient, doxylamine succinate, "looks like a clearcut teratogen (birth-deforming agent) in Wistar rats."

The Merrell spokesman said the doses were up to 375 times the human equivalent and that mice exposed to bendectin did not produce deformed fetuses. Rats metabolize drugs much faster than do humans, and scientists point out, the absence of an adverse drug reaction in one or another species does not detract from the potential importance of its occurrence in another species.

A second preliminary study, done last year on monkeys in California, disclosed a possible link between bendectin and a hole in the wall of the heart called ventricular septal defect. Although relatively common, it often closes itself by the end of an infant's first year of life.

The two animal studies are the first done independently of Merrell. They supplement earlier bendectin data on limb and other birth defects. An agency panel of outside advisers concluded in September 1980 that the data did not establish cause-effect relationships but cautioned that a "residue of uncertainty" exists as to the possibility of a link between the drug and congenital heart anomalies and cleft lips or palates.

FDA files reveal a quarter-century of apparently lax handling of bendectin data by the agency and by the company, which Dow Chemical Co. acquired in 1981 from Richardson-Merrell, Inc.

For example, the documents show that Merrell knew of Roll's study from the start and knew by mid-September 1981 of the

"general outcome and conclusion." The company didn't submit it to the FDA for 4 1/2 months — until two weeks after Walgren had put a recently translated copy into the hands of Hayes.

The papers also show that for 15 years, staffers repeatedly warned high FDA officials that the principal human safety study — done by Merrell and used to promote the drug to physicians — could be invalid and misleading.

One critical episode involves Rolf Bass, a Berlin physician who did a precision analysis of a 1958-1965 U.S. survey of 50,282 pregnancies. He found that doxylamine may induce an 11-fold increase in the normal rate of diaphragm hernia and a 30-fold increase in a range of diaphragm defects that don't threaten life. He warned against use of pre-gnancy anti-nausea drugs, including bendectin.

Bass published his article — next to one by a German medical journal. The company cited the Bass article in a bibliography sent to the FDA in June 1980 but forwarded it too late for distribution to members of the bendectin advisory panel. FDA scientists apparently didn't notice it for nearly two years — until the April 8 meeting prompted a search of agency files.

For the FDA's Dr. Franz W. Rosa, Roll's work was a provocative clue that the U.S. survey put human birth defects in broad categories that could be obscuring diaphragm hernias, which in 1980 were reported in about 1,300 infants, one-third of them still-born. By March he had made two striking but inconclusive findings:

— Diaphragm defects, some of them not life-threatening, seemed to be related solely to anti-nauseant antihistamines — at a rate 6.2 times normal — and not to the chemically different antihistamines used in cold tablets.

— In the infants of bendectin users, the apparent incidence of the diaphragm hernia was 7.8 times higher than the rate of the range of Diaphragm defects in the babies of non-users.

At the same time, Barbara B. Manard, a Washington-based health consultant, re-analyzed surveys and sifted federal data on up to 1 million hospital birth records a year. Manard found a strong indication that the hernia incidence increased 64 percent between 1970 and 1980, roughly keeping pace with increases in bendectin sales.

For 20 years, a key element of the story has been the Merrell study of "more than 4,000 pregnancies (2,218 matched pairs)." The study reported reassuring results: the 11 malformations found in the infants of bendectin users were actually 10 fewer than in the babies of the non-user controls — 0.72 percent vs. 9.95 percent. For years afterward the company told physicians the study showed "no correlation" between bendectin and fetal abnormalities."

Another Look

A plague on everybody's houses

By Robert Yoakum

My friend Bill Shankwood, who regards the world with a jaundiced eye, is a man of many contemporary angers and few contemporary heroes. And if Bill has been hard-put to find humans in whom to invest his tiny supply of admiration, he has been even harder-put to find nations.

That doesn't mean that Bill has always been neutral in international disputes. He is old enough to recall the alliance against Hitler, Mussolini, and Tojo in the early 1940s, and against Stalin after that, and in both cases — despite a lot of carping about "patriotic excesses" — Bill identified with the United States and its allies.

But listen to him now, as I did the other night after dinner:

"Every now and then," Bill said, "an acute observation will sum up an entire era. Don't you agree?"

"Yes," I replied. "And I'll bet you're about to make one."

He ignored my sarcasm.

"And the thing that sums up this era is that when conflicts break out, whether between nations or public figures, most people are indifferent to the outcome. How long has it been since we could take substantial satisfaction in seeing A trounce B?"

"Or vice versa," I said, nodding in agreement.

"I made a list of recent conflicts the other day," Bill said, "and in no instance could I applaud one side unreservedly."

"It might be your age," I suggested.

"It's the age, not my age," Bill snapped. "take the war between Iraq and Iran. Anyone who gave it a thought, which most people didn't, hoped both countries would lose."

"What about Israel and the PLO?"

"A few years ago I was all-out for Israel, but as the government of that country has become more militaristic, more theistic, more arrogant, more authoritarian — more, in other words, like the very people who once suppressed so many of its inhabitants — I have become more alienated."

"What about the dispute between Great Britain and Argentina? You're an old Anglophile. Surely you aren't neutral about that one, are you?"

"No, I admit to a pro-British tilt, but then Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher — who, though a woman, reminds me mighty of a rooster — began crowing and strutting and generally acting as bloody-minded and jingoistic as the Argentine junta. Most of the British press and public joined her, but their cause suffered among the people who matter."

"Including you?"

"Naturally. And, incidentally, I make no exception of my own country in this catalog. During the Vietnam War I distrusted — correctly, as it turned out — everyone: the Russians and their Vietnamese Communists, the Chinese and their Cambodian Communists, all the American-backed puppets, and the U.S. itself."

"Moreover," Bill continued, "I don't give a damn about the outcome of most civil wars, as in Central America, where one is usually given a choice between repression on the far right or repression on the far left."

"Earlier you mentioned public figures."

"Right. Take the well-publicized squabbles in the Reagan administration. I'll admit to a slight bias in favor of Secretary of State Haig and his colorful feud with our U.N. Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick, but I still think of them as two scorpions in a bottle."

"Ditto," he continued, "for Haig versus Defense Secretary Weinberger, Weinberger versus White House chief of staff Baker, Baker versus White House counsel Meese, Meese versus Attorney General Smith, Smith versus —"

"OK!" I said. "I've got the point. But what's the explanation?"

"De-evolution," Bill replied. "Instead of arguing about evolution, we should be discussing the reverse — evidence that we are evolving backward toward lower primates. As we were moving upward, the outcome of conflicts mattered; now that we're heading back down, it doesn't."

"The situation is that bad?"

"It's worse," said Bill, "but I didn't want to depress you."

Sunday: Some adult video games

AIR CONDITIONING PROBLEM



STOP KILLING YOURSELF

By Peter J.

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MEDICALETTES

(Replies to and from readers):

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: With the heat of summer, we have a recurring, serious problem in our house. My father (76) who lives with us can't stand air conditioning. He prefers warmth. But I can't stand excessive heat, neither can my husband. So, we keep it regulated at about 66-68 degrees. My father says it's like living in an ice chest. He refuses to wear a sweater. Instead, he will sit outside on the porch, even if the temperature is in the 90's. Isn't this bad for him? What to do? — Mrs. G.

Dear Mrs. G.: If you asked 100 readers of this column, I believe that 99 would say, "Why not compromise? Keep the inside temperature at 72. That should keep your dad comfortable. And you, too.

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Ghana judges decide to withdraw services

ACRA, July 6 (R) — Ghanaian judges decided Tuesday to withdraw their services in protest at the "callous and cold blooded" murder of three colleagues, the Ghana News Agency said.

A statement issued after an emergency meeting chaired by Chief Justice Fred Apalo said the judges had failed to find any discoverable motive for the murders and that the victims had performed their duties in accordance with their judicial oaths and in the manner expected by right-thinking Ghanaians.

The statement added that Ghana's head of state, Flight Lt. Jerry Rawlings, who has ordered a special inquiry into the murders, had advised the judges to continue to discharge their duties undaunted. But, it went on: "Much as the judges would want to do so, it is impossible that the normal functioning of the courts should be unaffected by this event. Accordingly, normal functioning of the courts cannot be guaranteed for some time."

Last Saturday the bullet-riddled, partly burnt bodies of three high court judges, Cecilia Koranteng Addoh, 46, Frederick Sarkodie, 53, and Kwadwo Agyepong, 56, were found on the Accra Plains along with that of the personnel director of the Ghana Industrial Holding Corporation, Maj. Sampson Acquah, 48. They had been kidnapped from their Accra homes last Wednesday by

BRIEFS

BONN, (AFP) — The Soviet Union has deployed 315 SS-20 nuclear missiles on 35 bases throughout its territory despite the "freeze" announced by Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev earlier this year, a West German government spokesman affirmed Monday. Replying to Soviet denials of recent reports on the deployment, spokesman Lothar Ruhl confirmed the statistics cited in Brussels last week by U.S. State Department official Richard Burt.

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, (AP) — A terrorist dynamite attack on two power plants killed 16 persons, knocked out electricity and drinking water in the capital, shut down most of its commerce and forced gasoline rationing Monday. Officials predicted the blackout would last at least a week.

LISBON, (AFP) — Forces of the rebel National Resistance Movement (MNR) in Mozambique on Friday shot down a Mozambican armed forces Puma helicopter in the Mabote region of Hambane province, an MNR spokesman said here Monday. Seven unidentifiable bodies were found at the spot where the aircraft crashed, the spokesman added.

SANTIAGO, Dominican Republic (AFP) — Dominican President Antonio Guzman, who died over the weekend, was buried Monday in the presence of tens of thousands of mourners.

MOSCOW, (AFP) — Imelda Marcos, wife of Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, met here Monday with Supreme Soviet Deputy Chairman Vassili Kuznetsov, Tass news agency reported.

BELGRADE, (AFP) — Malaysian Foreign Minister Sri Muhammad Ghazali bin Shafei arrived here Monday on a three-day official visit for talks with Yugoslav leaders. Shafei will also attend the first session on the joint Malaysian-Yugoslav committee for technical, economic and trade cooperation.

ATHENS, (AP) — East German Foreign Minister Oscar Fischer arrived Monday on a two-day official visit for talks with Greece's Socialist government. "I am convinced the results of my stay will be further improved relations between our two countries," Fischer, making the first visit to Greece by an East German foreign minister, told reporters at Athens Airport.

KATHMANDU, Nepal, (AP) — King Birendra and Queen Aiswarya of Nepal will visit China's Gansu province and the Tibetan autonomous region for one week from July 25, the Royal Palace announced Tuesday.

MOSCOW, (R) — Col. Gen. Ivan Gubin, head of the political directorate of Soviet forces in East Germany, has died aged 60, Tass news agency said Monday. Col. Gen. Gubin, who was a member of the Soviet military council, died prematurely, according to an obituary signed by President Leonid Brezhnev and other Kremlin leaders.

WARSAW, (R) — A Polish court has sentenced an elderly couple to suspended jail terms for harboring a fugitive of the suspended Solidarity trade union, the official PAP news agency reported Monday.

NEW DELHI, (AP) — Two persons were killed in police gunfire and at least 19 others were injured Monday in a language riot in Karnataka state, Southern India, the United News of India reported. UNI said police opened fire after a mob of 5,000 rock-throwing students defaced signboards and wrecked shops and a post office. Eight of those injured were policemen, the news agency said.

MOSCOW, (AP) — A Soviet man, who ended a 43-day hunger strike two weeks ago said that he began a new fast Monday because of delays in granting him an exit visa. Yuri Balonov, a 33-year-old former computer programmer, called off his original hunger strike on June 21 after being promised a visa that would enable him to join his wife, the former Yelena Kusmenko, in the U.K.

Soviets' 'plan' space station

NEW YORK, July 6 (R) — The Soviet Union is preparing to launch a permanent space station able to carry as many as 100 cosmonauts, a radio station said, quoting U.S. intelligence sources.

RKO Radio here quoted unidentified sources Monday as saying that parts of the station could be launched by Oct. 4, the 25th anniversary of the Soviet launch of Sputnik 1 that began the superpowers' space race.

A Soviet Space station would open a new era of continuous human presence in outer space. The U.S. intelligence sources, apparently using satellite information, said it could also serve as base for a Soviet anti-ballistic missile laser weapon, reportedly under development.

The station would be taken aloft in segments by a new rocket booster, capable of carrying 450,000 pounds (204,000 kg), now being tested at the Soviet Tyura Tam space complex. The segments would be assembled in space. There was no immediate official comment on the report.

In Santa Barbara, administration officials said that Reagan's emphasis on the military use of space to protect national security bars deployment of weapons in space or the start of an arms race there.

Reagan said in a statement Sunday that the Pentagon would join the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the civilian space agency, in future ventures.

To Asia-Pacific states Moscow 'poses' threat

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Speaking on ASEAN, Murtopo said the Cambodian conflict caused the greatest problem for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations — comprising Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, the Philippines and Indonesia.

He said it worried ASEAN member-states because the dispute emerged from the conflict between China and the Soviet Union.

The seminar, held on the island of Bali, was attended by Hildegard Hamm-Bucher, West German state minister for foreign affairs.

The other major issue facing the region is

how to create suitable conditions to enable China to play a positive role in the area, he added.

Speaking on Monday before the Indonesian-West German seminar on international strategy, Murtopo said the United States must counter the threat by strengthening its Seventh Fleet in the Pacific, and its allies particularly Japan. Must improve their development.

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150,000 missing in Guatemala

GUATEMALA City, July 6 (R) — Self-appointed Guatemalan President Efraim Rios Montt says as many as 150,000 persons have disappeared in his Central American country in the last 10 years.

Gen. Rios Montt said at first in his regular weekly address to the nation Monday that between the last state of siege in the early 1970s and a new emergency decree last week, 100,000 persons were missing. He then changed the figure to 150,000 but did not reconcile the discrepancy.

He declared the latest state of siege in a bid to wipe out leftists guerrillas waging an armed struggle to topple the military government which took power after a bloodless coup in March.

The guerrillas maintain the new government is as repressive as previous army-backed rightist administration headed by President Romeo Lucas Garcia.

Zimbabwe curfew

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, July 6 (AFP) — Zimbabwe police introduced a curfew from Tuesday night in black townships of this southwestern city, minority leader Joshua Nkomo's stronghold, under the past ten days' search operation for renegade guerrillas and hidden arms.

Bulawayo police chief Emilio Svaruka said anyone breaking the 9 p.m.-4 a.m. curfew in the western suburbs, home to 400,000 black people, was liable to be shot by the army or police.



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OECD report says

Japan may trigger world recession end

PARIS, July 6 (AP) — Japan is likely to lead the world out of the recession next year with help from Europe while the United States lags behind, the 24-nation Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) forecast Tuesday.

A six-monthly OECD survey stated: "A recovery in activity is thought to be occurring currently in Europe and Japan, and one is expected in North America in the second half of this year."

In Europe, gross national product (GNP) may grow at about 1.5 percent in 1982 and at perhaps 2.5 percent in 1983. The U.S. GNP may decline by 1.5 percent and grow by a little over two percent in 1983.

Japan could double its 1982 growth rate to nearly four percent next year with export-led expansions but an increased external net surplus could lead to further measures curbing exports, or a strengthening of the yen.

"Appreciation of the yen," the survey concluded, "could in due course exert a deflationary impact on the economy, with the strengthening of real income stemming from terms-of-trade gains being more than offset by a decline in net exports."

"The deflationary impact would be greater in the case of direct restrictions on Japanese exports, because the economy would not benefit from the terms-of-trade improvement."

Real gross national product growth decelerated further in the second half of 1981, largely because of depressed domestic demand. Given the low rate of inflation — with the consumer price index rising by 2.8 percent in the year to March — and persistently weak domestic demand, monetary policy has been relaxed to support consumption.

Plan for U.K. unit stays -- Nissan

LONDON, July 6 (AP) — Plans by Japanese Motor giant Nissan to produce cars in Britain are "still on," Lord Marsh, the company's top adviser in London, has said. He dismissed as "pure speculation" reports that Nissan, which makes Datsun, had abandoned plans to build a \$1 billion pound plant. Lord J. Marsh believes the Japanese will commit themselves to investing in Britain "in some form or another."

A British department of industry spokesman confirmed that the government has been in regular touch with Nissan and believes the project is still under consideration.

Nissan's representatives are due in London later this month for what seems certain to be final talks with the government.

ITC to view tin issue with U.S.

LONDON, July 6 (AP) — A delegation from the International Tin Council is expected to have discussions in the near future with officials controlling the U.S. strategic stockpile, it is reliably learned here.

The council delegate sources said that decision to send such a delegation will be made at the next council meeting on July 22. They stressed that during this current period of depressed market conditions, sales from the U.S. stockpile should be suspended.

Permission was given by U.S. Congress to sell 10,000 tons a year for three years from the massive stock of nearly 200,000 tons of tin from July 1980. Since that time just over 9,000 tons have been sold. The latest sales were more during these last few weeks when market prices were down the "floor" of the International agreement (Malaysian 29.15) a kilo, about 7,000 pounds a ton, with the council's buffer manager, Pieter de Koning, actively buying the metal to stop prices going any lower.

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Low demand bogs global freight mart

LONDON, July 6 (AP) — The freight market remained under pressure last week, with rates falling to their lowest for nearly four years in the grain and coal trades.

But trade was relatively quiet as reports spread that some owners were refusing to accept charterer's offers. In addition business slowed down in front of the long U.S. holiday weekend.

New bulk carriers far more economical than their older competitors were again being fixed at very low rates straight off the stocks. One such vessel (\$64,000 tons) booked "ex-yard" Japan for an Australian accepted \$3,300 a day, or an estimated \$1,000 a day less than paid in May to a vessel half that size.

Soviet charterers seemingly failed to put in an appearance, although it is expected that grain imports will remain very high in coming months as the Soviet grain area sown this season was estimated to be the lowest for 10 years by the International Wheat Council.

Moves to lift export restrictions on Thai tapioca into the European Economic Community, which could push shipments in 1982 to around seven million tons instead of the expected five million tons was another pointer for the future, but little to relieve the present depression, shipping circles said.

In the key trans-Atlantic grain trade (USA/Europe), a 75,000 tonner accepted \$5.75/ton, the lowest rate paid since August 1978, and 25 cents less than the week before, while just \$5 a ton was reported agreed for the same voyage by a 55,000 tonner, just half the rate paid less than a month ago.

The U.S. Gulf/Japan market was 50 cents easier when \$14/ton was paid for a 45,000 ton grain cargo, the lowest since spring 1979.

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White miners poised to strike

Labor unrest sweeps S. Africa

JOHANNESBURG, July 6 (R) — South Africa's mining industry, its fortunes at their lowest ebb for many years, faces the prospect of a strike by white miners this week after bloody rioting over pay by black workers.

Unions representing South Africa's 22,000 white miners, 80 percent of them in the gold industry, will hold a strike ballot Wednesday following the breakdown of pay negotiations with their employers.

Union leaders say their members will vote overwhelmingly for a strike, which would be the first stoppage by white miners since the general strike of 1922. The result will be known on Thursday.

"I can bring South Africa's gold and coal production to a standstill," (white) Mineworkers' Union leader Arrie Paulus told the Afrikaans newspaper *Rapport* in an interview Monday.

Employers, represented by the chamber of mines, say a strike could have a disastrous

effect on the industry. They say gold-mining costs have soared and the mines have a duty to the already-weak national economy not to pay a large wage increase. South Africa is the world's biggest gold producer and foreign exchange earnings from the metal are vital to its balance of payments, already heavily in deficit.

Because of the fall in the world gold price to around \$315 an ounce from \$875 two and half years ago, more than a quarter of the republic's 47 gold mines are operating at a loss and some have heavily pared their labor forces.

The strike threat by whites follows wage riots by black miners that disrupted production at four gold mines last week. More than 1,000 blacks left their jobs after three days of riots over new pay scales and at least six miners died in rioting and looting at mines to the east and west of Johannesburg. Further trouble began at a fifth mine Sunday night, halting production.

U.K. economy outlook bright

PARIS, July 6 (AFP) — The British economy is poised toward modest recovery in gross domestic product (GDP) but industrial output at the end of 1983 will still be about 10 percent below the 1979 level. The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) reported here Tuesday.

The six-monthly review by the Paris-based 24-nation body forecast: A modest recovery in GDP is expected in 1982, to be followed by small acceleration in 1983 ... employment is expected to continue declining, albeit at a moderate pace, giving an unemployment rate of about 12.5 percent toward the end of 1983."

But a bright spot in the economy is an improvement in productivity. The report noted that: "Higher profit rates on some better world economic prospects, and the desire to modernize in view of the greater flexibility of labor to change working habits and accept new technology, suggest that, following a further small fall this year, manufacturing investment will rise in 1983 to about the 1976 level. Following two years of rapid growth, total productivity is expected to continue in 1983."

BUENOS AIRES, July 6 (R) — Argentina's new Economy Minister, Jose Dagnino Pastore, has announced plans to devalue the peso to boost exports as part of a major package to re-activate the country's economy.

Dagnino Pastore, speaking on television, also told Argentines Monday night that their new government would reform the financial system and a pay freeze for state employees and offer cheap credit to companies holding down domestic prices.

Later, the Central Bank of Argentina announced the introduction of a two-tier foreign exchange system in line with Dagnino Pastore's new policies.

It said the new system would go into operation Tuesday at the end of a government-ordered one-day banking and foreign exchange market holiday Monday.

Dagnino Pastore gave no details of the government's plans for devaluation, but financial analysts said the dollar was likely to leap against the peso when exchange markets reopened leading to a de facto devaluation.

President Reynaldo Bignone, whose government took over last week, pledged a return to democracy by March 1984, inherited an inflation rate of 140 percent, foreign debts of more than \$35 billion and a domestic turnover rate that had grown by only two percent since 1974.

The white miners, represented by the Council of Mining Unions, began their annual wage bargaining with the Chamber of Mines in March and asked for a 16 percent pay rise, which they later reduced to 15 percent. The chamber originally offered a three percent pay rise, but increased this to nine percent on basic salaries. It insists that this is its maximum offer.

The new pay scales for the 500,000 blacks, who are not union members, were set by the Chamber of Mines and came into effect July 1. Black underground workers received a rise of about 12 percent, making the basic starting wage 129 rand (\$112 a month), while surface workers were granted an increase of around 11 percent to 100 rand (\$87).

White miners, who mainly hold skilled jobs from which blacks are excluded by law, earn an average 1,100 rand (\$960) a month, according to 1981 figures. In addition, the mines supply heavily-subsidized housing for their white employees.

Argentina to bolster economy

The new two-tier foreign exchange market will include a commercial peso-dollar rate fixed daily by the central bank for imports and exports and a financial rate for tourists, for repaying foreign debts and for other transactions.

It replaces a system in which all transactions were carried out at a single rate and in which all foreign currency sales to the public were banned following Argentina's seizure of the Falkland (Malvinas) Islands on April 2.

The rate stood at 15.750 pesos per dollar at the close of trading last Friday, but financial analysts said there would be a big demand for dollars when the exchange markets reopened Tuesday.

Concern about inflation and the economic effects of Argentina's conflict with Britain over the Falkland Islands have been blamed for the decline of the peso, which has been officially devalued twice in the past year.

Russia, West discuss U.S. pipeline ban

MOSCOW, July 6 (R) — Senior Western businessmen involved in a controversial East-West gas pipeline have been holding urgent talks in Moscow over the past week on U.S. efforts to block the project, commercial sources said Tuesday.

Soviet officials have told them to find ways of overcoming sanctions imposed by Washington last month or face stiff financial penalties for non-delivery, the sources said.

A senior delegation from the West German engineering firm AEG-Telefunken, which has a \$280 million contract to supply turbines, began talks in Moscow Tuesday which could have important bearing on the future of the company.

The Italian firm Eni was meeting separately with Soviet officials Tuesday and the British firm John Brown, the French companies Creusot Loire and Alsthom Atlantic and Mannesmann of West Germany sent negotiating teams here last week.

British miners seek 31% pay rise

INVERNESS, Scotland, July 6 (R) — National Union of Mineworkers delegates voted at their annual conference here to seek a wage rise equivalent to 31 percent for the lowest paid from next November.

Delegates representing 250,000 miners in the coal industry voted by an overwhelming majority to seek a new flat rate across the board weekly pay rise of 27.20 sterling for all union members with effect from Nov. 1.

The claim is equivalent to a 31 percent rise for the lowest paid surface workers in the industry and a 22.5 percent increase for the highest paid underground mineworkers, whose basic pay is now 121.55 sterling a week.

BRIEFS

LONDON, (R) — State owned Petro-Canada is planning to buy up to \$300 million worth of oil exports from Mexico's Pemex through a syndicated financing facility, banking sources said. Arranged by Royal Bank of Canada, the nine month facility will allow Pemex to receive the full amount of the staggered contract immediately, with banks later collecting the money from Petro-Canada.

OTTAWA, (R) — Canada's trade surplus rose to \$1.36 billion in May from a downward revised \$1.23 billion surplus in April and compared a \$574 million surplus in May 1981. Statistics Canada said. The April surplus was revised from an originally reported \$1.46 billion.

FRANKFURT, (R) — West German net currency reserves rose 300 million marks in the first week to 17.8 billion, after a 1.6 billion fall in the previous week, the Bundesbank said. Non-currency reserves were unchanged at about 3.07 billion marks, bringing net monetary reserves to about 70.9 billion marks.

PARIS, (R) — France's budget deficit for the first five months of 1982 rose to 75.3

billion francs from 50.3 billion for the same period last year, the economy ministry said. The deficit for May totaled 8.5 billion francs, compared with a 3.2 billion deficit in May 1981.

STOCKHOLM, (AFP) — Saab Motor Company announced that sales in the first half of this year totalled 43,600 vehicles, a 16 percent rise on a year earlier. The Scandinavian countries continued taking about half the cars, and this market showed a 20 percent jump. Sales elsewhere in Europe were about the same, although those in Belgium were up 48 percent and those in Italy 28 percent.

BRUSSELS, (AFP) — Textile quota negotiations between South Korea and the European Economic Community (EEC) have ended in deadlock after two weeks of talks, EEC sources said here Tuesday. South Korea objected to EEC insistence that textile exports from Seoul be cut for the period 1983 to 1986, and to the so-called anti-surge mechanism aimed at preventing sudden spurts of exports from previously-unsupervised quotas. The talks will resume in September.

Financial Roundup

Dollar rates bounce back

By J.H. Hammond

was a slight increase on Monday after news of the South African gold mine riots hit the markets, but dealers said that the riots were having little effect on prices in general.

In the local exchanges, the markets were also cautiously quiet awaiting to see how the New York markets would close Tuesday night. Spot riyal/dollar rates opened at 3,440.05 levels and traded around this price all day. Both interbank and commercial transactions were reported down over Monday's volumes.

In the money markets, riyal deposit rates opened at around Monday levels but fell back by about 1/4 percent by close Tuesday. The one-month rate is now quoted at 14-14 1/4 percent, while the week-fixed fell back even more sharply to 13-13 1/2 percent levels. The three and six-month levels were more stable, however, at 14 1/4-15 1/4 percent while the one-year rate was closed at 14 1/2-15 percent. Little activity was reported in the longer periods.

In the European exchanges, the British pound fell back by nearly one percent to trade at 1.7240 levels with some Bank of England support noted. The railways confrontation between the government and the unions in England is now beginning to affect sterling and dealers are watching closely how the pound will perform in the Tuesday night New York markets. The German mark fell back to 2.4860 while the Swiss franc also weakened slightly to 2.1173 from 2.1050. The yen was unchanged at 257.60 while the French franc fell to 6.900 levels.

Donors debate IDA aid plan

THE HAGUE, July 6 (R) — Donor countries met to try to resolve differences on a multi-billion-dollar aid program for the world's poorest nations.

Delegates from about 25 countries gathered in The Hague for a two-day working meeting to discuss the next aid program of the International Development Association (IDA), the soft loan affiliate of the World Bank.

The present three-year program, expected to total some \$12 billion in loans on very generous terms to the poorest nations, expires in July next year.

Talks on what will replace it have been bedeviled by plans of some countries, particularly the United States, effectively to reduce their contributions to the IDA or to attach conditions to them, delegate sources said.

The U.S. was expected to supply some 27

percent of the present program, but the U.S. Congress has decided that the country's planned contribution of around \$3.2 billion should be spread over four or five years rather than three. Congress also wants U.S. industry to benefit from projects funded by the IDA.

The IDA thus faces a possible gap in its finances next year as well as problems in planning its next program. Two main proposals were being discussed by the latest working meeting, delegate sources said. One was that nations should be asked to make voluntary

contributions to the next IDA program at the same level as the present program.

The other proposal, supported by France and Canada, was that contributions from all donor nations other than the U.S. should be paid to a special fund. Orders from projects paid for from this fund would not go to the United States.

Test flight made by new Airbus

PARIS, July 6 (AFP) — The new European Airbus A-310 wide-bodied passenger jet made a non-stop 6,780 km (4,237 mile) flight from Kuwait to Singapore in what the company called an important test flight.

The aircraft, which made its first flight in April, did the flight in 7 hours and 40 minutes, a spokesman for the European consortium Airbus Industries said here Monday.

He added that the A-310, a shorter version of the A-300, used only 38.9 tons of fuel, thereby confirming its "excellent performance."

The aircraft was carrying an 18.6 ton load, equivalent to 210 passengers with their luggage — giving a fuel consumption per passenger of 2.5kg (5.5 pounds) per 100 km (62.5 miles).

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Ozzie Smith helps Cardinals nip Reds

NEW YORK, July 6 (AP) — Ozzie Smith, whose ninth-inning error forced the game into extra innings, singled to score Willie McGee with the winning run in the 10th inning Monday night, boosting the St. Louis Cardinals past Cincinnati 6-5 for the Red's eighth straight loss.

McGee led off the 10th with a single off reliever Tom Hume, 1-4, took second on a sacrifice and scored on Smith's single to right, the ball glancing off the glove of first baseman Dan Driessen.

Jim Kaat, 3-1, pitched the ninth to pick up the victory. Doug Bair recorded his third save. The victory enabled St. Louis to move into a virtual tie with Philadelphia for first place in the National League East. The Cardinals trail the Phillies by .001.

In other National League games, Chili Davis' leadoff triple triggered a two-run sixth that carried the San Francisco Giants to a 3-1 victory over the Phillies before a holiday crowd of 63,501, the largest regular season crowd in the 11-year history of Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium.

Glenn Hubbard's two-run homer in the seventh inning lifted Atlanta to a 7-5 victory over the Chicago Cubs, giving the Braves their sixth straight victory. Atlanta slugger Bob Horner slammed his sixth homer in five games, a three-run shot in the first inning.

Baseball standings

American League				
Eastern Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Boston	46	33	.590	—
Milwaukee	45	33	.577	1/2
Baltimore	418	35	.539	3 1/2
Detroit	39	36	.520	5
New York	37	38	.493	7
Cleveland	37	39	.487	7 1/2
Toronto	34	44	.436	11 1/2

Western Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Kansas City	45	35	.577	—
California	45	35	.563	—
Seattle	43	37	.538	3
Chicago	41	35	.535	3 1/2
Texas	32	41	.438	10 1/2
Oakland	35	47	.427	12
Minnesota	24	57	.296	22 1/2

National League				
Eastern Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Philadelphia	44	35	.557	—
St. Louis	45	36	.565	—
Montreal	41	38	.519	3
Pittsburgh	40	38	.513	3 1/2
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Houston	34	45	.430	15 1/2
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U.S. cagers beat Canada for title

TAIPEI, Taiwan, July 6 (AP) — The unbeaten United States team Monday night routed Canada 79-62 (41-33) in the final match to win the title of the Sixth William Jones Cup (men's) Basketball Tournament here before a capacity crowd.

Aubrey Sherrod led the U.S. team to its triumph, scoring 27 points. Jay Humphries collected another 15 points for the U.S. college all-star quintet. Canada finished second in the two-week tourney, followed in order by France, Sweden, South Korea, Colombia, Taiwan and New Zealand.

In the final match between the United States and Canada, American Aubrey Sherrod sank the first two points on penalty shots. The lead see-sawed in the first eight minutes until Sherrod and Mike Reddick rallied for five points to pull away for a 19-16 lead after the 10th minute. The Canadians never caught up.

In other final matches Monday, France came from behind to beat Taiwan 76-69, and Sweden bounced back after trailing at half-time 42-46 to beat Columbia 85-80.

WBA threatens

Jeff Chandler

PHILADELPHIA, July 6 (AP) — The World Boxing Association is threatening to strip bantamweight champion Jeff Chandler of his title, the Philadelphia *Inquirer* has reported.

Chandler, of South Philadelphia, defeated Julian Solis in November 1980 to win the title, and he defended it four times in 1981. But a telegram from WBA championship committee chairman Luis Batista Salas to Chandler's manager, Becky O'Neill, threatened to begin proceedings to take away the title if he doesn't sign a contract to fight "the leading available contender," the *Inquirer* said in Tuesday's editions.

The telegram dated June 20, said proceedings to strip the title would begin last Wednesday, but Ms. O'Neill said she didn't receive the message until the day after the deadline. The leading WBA bantamweight contender is Miguel Iriarte of Panama, but J. Russell Peltz, who promotes Chandler's fights, claimed that Iriarte has failed to answer telegrams or telephone calls.

In his last title defense, Chandler defeated Johnny Carter of Philadelphia, the No. 2 contender in the WBA, on March 22.

Meanwhile, the manager of Mexico's Raul Valdez is appealing against the result of Sunday's title fight with WBC light bantamweight champion Kim Chul-ho of South Korea.

Judges at the contest, held in Taejon, South Korea, gave Kim the verdict by the slenderest possible margin, enabling him to retain the title.

Valdez's manager, Arturo Hernandez, believes his man should have been awarded victory, and has said as much to the World Boxing Council, which has agreed to conduct an investigation.

BRIEFS

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — The Scottish Rugby Union team struggled to a 2-2 win over a spirited Australian capital territory in the final provincial match of their Australian tour at Manuka Oval here Tuesday.

PORTO, Northern Portugal (AP) — Portugal and Britain won their Galea Cup (men's under-20) Tennis Tournament Group 'D' first round ties when they beat Austria and Morocco respectively. Both victories were achieved by a 3-2 margin.

PEKING (AP) — China's "A" team beat Hong Kong 1-0 Monday in the opening match of a (field) Hockey Tournament that also has teams from Pakistan and Japan. The Xinhua news agency reported.

PORTLAND, Oregon (AP) — Veteran golfer Sam Snead withdrew on Monday from the \$150,000 U.S. Senior Open Professional Golf Tournament, which starts Thursday at Portland Golf Club. The 70-year-old Snead notified U.S. Golf Association officials he won't be able to play because of eye problems.

NORWAY (AP) — Norway came from behind Sunday to win a two-day 29-event eight-nation swimming meet one point ahead of last year's winner Spain. Norway scored 221 points and Spain 220. Scotland placed third with 191 points. Switzerland was fourth with 157. Belgium and Wales tied fifth with 128 and Finland placed seventh with 123.

YOKOHAMA, Japan (AP) — Top middle-distance runners from eight foreign countries will run against eight Japanese teams in the world's first international women's road relay race in Japan next March 20. The Kanagawa Prefectural (state) Amateur Track and Field Association announced Monday.

TAIPEI (AP) — Torrential rains continued to mar the fifth World Women's Softball Championship here Monday, with only three of 14 scheduled third-day matches finished by late afternoon. An earlier downpour had delayed the opening of the tournament by a day.

Injured Coe to skip Crystal clash with Ovett

LONDON, July 6 (AP) — The long-awaited meeting between Britain's star athletes Sebastian Coe and Steve Ovett in the 3,000 meters at Crystal Palace here later this month, has been called off because Coe is still injured.

The race was to be the first of three meetings between the two great rivals this season, but Coe, the Olympic 1,500 meters gold medalist and world 800 meters, 1,000 meters and one-mile record holder, is still suffering from a stress fracture of the lower right leg and will not be fit in time.

He has been out of action for some time and was due to race against Ovett, the Olympic 800 meters champion and world 1,500 meters record holder, during the five-way match between England, Japan, Sweden, Kenya and Sweden on July 17, and all 17,000 seats at the Crystal Palace

Stadium had been sold well in advance.

But although the injury is likely to keep him away from the track for several weeks, Coe should be fit to take part in the two remaining scheduled meetings with Ovett this season, over 800 meters in Nice, the south of France on August 14, and over a mile in Oregon in the United States, on September 17.

England team manager Andy Norman said: "It is difficult to say how long Seb will be out of action with this sort of injury. Although it is obviously a great disappointment that he will not be meeting Ovett at Crystal Palace. We have done our best to ensure that there will be a first-class entry so that the crowd will not be let down."

It is an unlucky twist of fate for the organizers that it should be Coe who has been ruled out of the first of three races which have attracted worldwide attention.

Ovett appeared more likely to have to call off the first confrontation between the two who have not run against each other since the Moscow Olympics nearly two years ago. He was out of action for eight months after rupturing a thigh muscle and has only recently returned to serious competition.

Coe has not had a very active year, either, with just two races to his credit. He ran in the 1,500 meters in the Yorkshire Championships early in the season and had a 2,000 meters outing in Bordeaux a month ago.

Norman has been making determined efforts to book a number of international stars to compensate for Coe's absence, and so far top sprinters Don Quarrie of Jamaica, and American Calvin Smith, as well as such crack middle-distance runners John Walker of New Zealand, Steve Scott and Sydney Maree, have agreed to compete.

As Derbyshire piles up mammoth total

John Wright cracks career-best 190

London, July 6 (Agencies) — New Zealander John Wright and his inexperienced partner Jain Anderson shared an opening partnership of 242 as Derbyshire reached a commanding 415 for six in their English County Cricket Championship clash against Yorkshire Monday.

Wright celebrated his 28th birthday with a career-best 190 and Anderson contributed a diligent 82 which helped Derbyshire into a 124-run first innings lead. Wright took 206 minutes to reach his century and struck three sixes and 20 fours before he was finally caught off Paul Jarvis's first delivery with the new ball. Kim Barnett promptly took over the scoring with an unbeaten 51.

Hampshire captain Nick Pocock made 50 not out with two sixes and seven fours to consolidate his side's promised position against Kent. Hampshire reached 201 for four at the close, a lead of 199. Earlier, West Indian fast bowler Malcolm Marshall sent Kent crashing for 181 with a five for seven spell.

Meanwhile, Kent's banned England batsman, Bob Woolmer, will be out of the game for at least two weeks because of a fractured cheekbone. He was hit on the face by a ball from Malcolm Marshall, Hampshire's West Indian fast bowler, while batting at Maidstone, Kent, Saturday.

It is the second time this season that Woolmer has had the misfortune of being injured while batting against Marshall. At the beginning of the season he was struck on the elbow by the Hampshire paceman and missed two games.

In Swansea, the bowling mysteries of Abdul Qadir sent Glamorgan spinning to defeat inside two days against Pakistan. His mixture of leg breaks, googlies and top spin.

Anderson surprised him on the first but the 27-year-old Frenchman got the better in another two and made sure Anderson could not break away in the others. Both men

claimed nine wickets as Glamorgan were bowled out for 155 and then, following on, for 128, to lose an innings and 73 runs.

Glamorgan's position was hopeless Saturday night, when they were 32 for two in reply to Pakistan's 356 for four. South African Rodney Ontong (33) and Charles Rowe (48) battled bravely before lunch in a fifth-wicket partnership of 70 before Qadir moved in for the kill.

Shastri, better known here as a spin bowler, opened the innings and set a fine example to his teammates by hitting eleven boundaries in his innings. However, no other Indian batsman matched his enterprise. Patil was next highest scorer with 39, and Madanlal was 35 not out.

finished in the pack chasing Willems and Switzerland's Serge Demierre. Hinault was placed 21st and Anderson 24th but they both were given the same time and Anderson kept the lead.

Willems broke away 20 kilometers from the finish, followed by Demierre but in the sharp incline to the finishing line the pair were overtaken by Rene Bittinger. However, the Frenchman had the front too soon and as he faded Willems and Demierre forged ahead with Willems winning the sprint.

Bittinger was swallowed up by the chasing pack and Irishman Sean Kelly won the massed sprint finish to take third place.

Hinault said afterward he did not want Anderson to extend his lead to more than a minute. "That's why I disputed the sprints," he said. "I know it meant I'd have a punishing day but it was the same for Anderson and everything is going fine for me."

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By keeping England at bay

Spain does West Germany a good turn

MADRID, July 6 (R) — West Germany won a World Cup semifinal place when former champions England and hosts Spain fought out a goalless draw here Monday night.

England, needing to win by two clear goals to be sure of going through ahead of West Germany to a semifinal clash with France, attacked bravely throughout but just could not pierce the Spanish defense. They swarmed forward again and again but all their commitment and drive were not rewarded with the goals they deserved.

Spain had already been eliminated from the second round Group "B" power struggle after their 2-1 defeat by West Germany three days ago, but they gave England no favors in the steamy heat of the Bernabeu Stadium.

England played their hearts out but the Spanish team, determined to bow out with honor after their sad showing earlier in the tournament, stood firm in defense and threatened with counter-attacks. So, as England and Spain fought to the point of exhaustion, West Germany looked forward to their semifinal date with the French in Seville Thursday.

England, held 0-0 by a highly-defensive West German side here last week, once again had to settle for second place behind

their old adversaries at this late stage just as they did on their last appearance in the finals in Mexico in 1970.

England, whose victories in all three first round matches gave them a much better record than the West Germans, were unbeaten in Spain and desperately unlucky not to come out better than the Germans, who they beat in the 1966 World Cup final.

England exerted nearly all the pressure but could not make the final telling thrust which would have put them on the way to victory. Ignoring the whistles and jeers from the partisan Spanish crowd which greeted them and their national anthem, England beat a path for goal. Bryan Robson, Tony Woodcock, Paul Mariner and Trevor Francis all came close, forcing Spanish goalkeeper Luis Arconada to pull off some good saves.

They deserved more for their endeavour, but as the night wore on it became increasingly clear that luck was not running for them and their spirited onslaught became tinged with desperation. Spain, with nothing but their pride to rescue, were less inhibited than they were against West Germany, although their game once again showed the shortcomings which have overshadowed their performance on home soil.

The Spanish passing was often off target

and their shooting was seldom any better. Alonso and Santillana passing up golden opportunities in the first half. England tried to change the course of the game by bringing on experienced Kevin Keegan and Trevor Brooking midway through the second half for their first appearance of the finals after injury.

Each came tantalisingly close within minutes of their arrival in place of Tony Woodcock and Graham Rix, who fought well but failed to unlock the Spanish defense. First Brooking, receiving the ball from Francis, shot just outside and then Keegan headed just wide.

Ray Wilkins was booked by Belgian referee Alexis Ponnet for a late tackle on Jose Camacho early in the first half but no one else was penalized in a tough encounter in which Robson and Alonso were often at loggerheads.

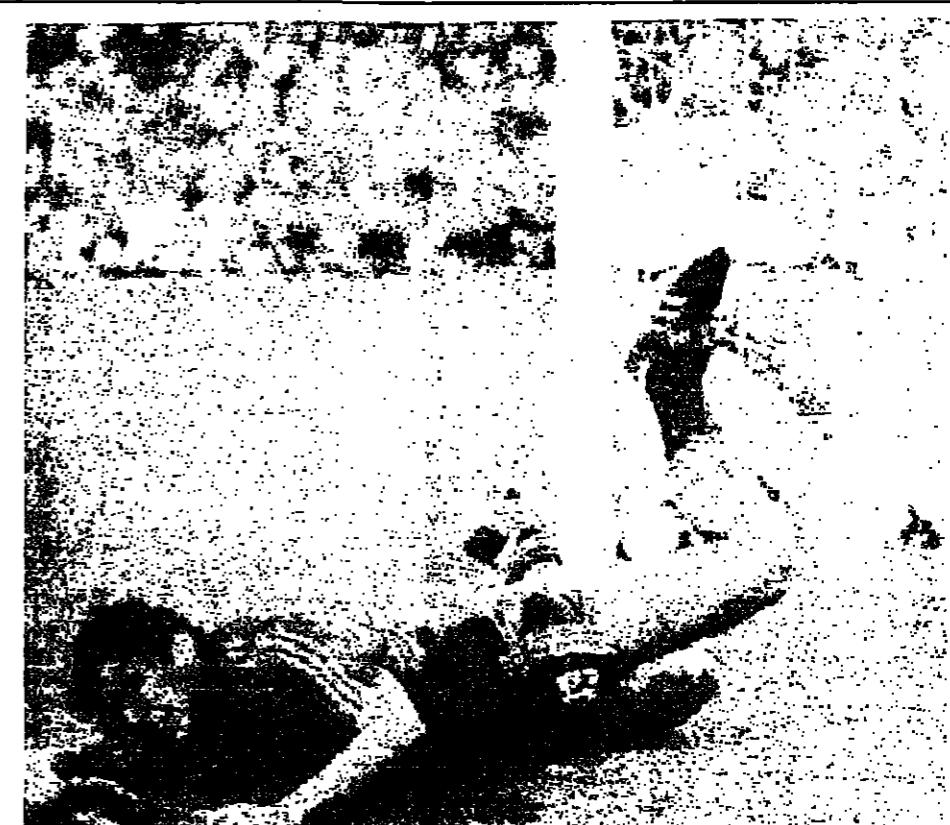
England manager Ron Greenwood said he was very proud of his team. "They achieved much more than people have given them credit for. In the squad of 22 we had a lot of young players and they have learned a great deal to stand them in good stead in the future." "I would like to wish West Germany every success in the semifinal," said Greenwood, who added he received a message from

West German team press chief Wilfried Gerhardt before the match wishing him every success.

Greenwood looked dejected but a power cut which plunged the press conference room into darkness raised a smile. He said: "It's the end of my career as a football manager but I don't think I would have been any less produce of my lads if we had won." The policy of bringing on Keegan and Brooking in the second half proved successful. Both had several chances but it's strange that they did not take them. That's not a criticism, merely an observation."

Greenwood said: "I think that we played some of the best football we have played in the competition. With all due respect to the Spaniards they had nothing else to play for their pride and I don't think they had any other purpose than to stop us scoring."

Teams:
England: Shilton, Mills, Butcher, Thompson, Sansom, Robson, Wilkins, Rix (Brookings), Francis, Mariner, Woodcock (Keegan). Spain — Arconada, Urquiza, Tendillo (Maceda), Aleman, Gordillo, Alonso, Camacho, Zamora, Saura (Uralde), Satrustegui, Santillana.



NARROW SHAVE: Spain's Carlos Alonso 'Santillana' has a hurt look written all over his face as he skids and misses a glorious opportunity of putting Spain ahead. Looking on is England's Mick Mills. (Wirephoto)

Brazilians not invincible, says Santana

BARCELONA, July 6 (R) — Sad but resigned, Brazil packed their bags Tuesday after being dumped out of the World Cup finals by Italy.

"Brazil is not invincible," said team manager Tele Santana after the defeat. Cerezo said: "Our football was better than theirs but they took advantage of their opportunities." Falco commented: "There was no justice because we played better than Italy and all the other teams."

Zico said: "Football is goals, and they scored one more." Captain Socrates said nothing.

But perhaps the Brazilian who came closest to the truth was Oscar. "It was trying to put on a show that sunk us," he said. "It would have been easiest to close up when we were 0-0, 1-1 and 2-2." Oscar added that Brazil had paid for "some lack of concentration and, above all, the desire to score goals."

Pele, the Brazilian star who made his name as a raw 17-year-old in the 1958 final and also

played brilliantly in the 1970 final, gave his view of the world cup without Brazil. "It is hard to believe Brazil is out," he said.

Can Italy go on to win the Cup? "If they play as they played against Argentina and especially against us today they must have a good chance," said Brazilian manager Tele Santana.

West Germany, national team captain Karl-Heinz Rummenigge was quoted by the sports information service S.I.D. as saying: "Now the World Cup has become a European Cup. I was reminded of the Germany-Italy game in Mexico. My hands were really perspiring. It was the best game of this World Cup."

Fans in free-for-all
MADRID, (AFP) — Fighting broke out during and after England's 0-0 draw with Spain in their last World Cup match here Monday night. Baton-wielding Spanish police charged a group of English supporters to break up fighting which left several people injured.

Pleasing performance

BILBAO, (R) — London's Royal Philharmonic Orchestra cut short a concert here Monday night to see the crucial World Cup match between England and Spain on television. After playing Beethoven and Brahms, the orchestra conductor announced:

"We shall not play anymore because everybody wants to see the football game." The audience applauded.

Kiwis at their best

MADRID, (AFP) — Five players have been sent off and 79 booked during the first two rounds, comprising 48 matches. Defending champions Argentina had the worst record with two sent off and seven booked. Italy also had seven players booked, including a double booking for Claudio Gentile, who misses the semifinal with Poland. New Zealand had the best record without a single warning.

At playing Italy Pole coach disappointed

BARCELONA, July 6 (AP) — Poland was "unquestionably disappointed" by Italy's qualification for the World Cup semifinals and would have rather played Brazil, team coach Antoni Piechniczek said Tuesday.

"Brazil plays a more suitable game for our team," he said. "They would have let us stay back and strike with counter attacks, just like Italy did to beat them."

"I fear the Italians very much. Their play is planned extremely well and they carry it out perfectly, with a tight defense, a solid midfield and deadly attacks. Their win over Argentina and Brazil have been sensational."

Poland and Italy, who played to a scoreless draw in a first round match, meet here Thursday at 11:15 GMT, while France takes on West Germany in the other semifinal.

The Polish coach said he was not only concerned with the Italian team, but with the fitness of his players. He said he was awaiting indications from the team doctors before deciding a lineup for Thursday's game at the Nou Camp Stadium. Piechniczek said the main question was the condition of midfielder Janusz Kupcewicz, who had a swollen twisted ankle.

"If he can't play we will be in trouble. We have another three players definitely out of the Cup and Zbigniew Boniek with a disqualification pending for two yellow cards, and these are terrible blows to our team," the coach said. "I really do hope to have Kupcewicz so we can play a clean 4-4-2 strategy."

With Boniek out, Piechniczek was expected to move veteran winger Grzegorz Lato out in

World Cup tid-bits

"Quini" gets teasing offer

MADRID, (AP) — Barcelona and Spanish striker Enrique Castro — popularly known as Quini — is reported to have been offered \$500,000 to play for New York Cosmos for two years. The 33-year-old player, leading scorer in Spain for the last two years, says he is tempted, and Barcelona, who

bought four players in the close season, including Diego Maradona, will probably let him go.

Arrival unnoticed

BUENOS AIRES, (R) — Argentina's national team arrived home to a deserted airport Monday. No fans greeted the 15 players of the 22-strong team who flew in without their manager Cesar Luis Menotti. Most of the players refused to talk and some briskly pushed through waiting reporters.

French stamp their mark cool & calm

By Pele
Special to Arab News

BARCELONA, July 6 — Napoleon once responded to a battlefield despatch from one of his generals "You use the word impossible. It is not a French word."

To paraphrase the emperor, the French here in Spain have refused to accept the meaning of impossible and have arrived quietly, and without fuss, in the semifinals of the World Cup.

I like their style, their technique, and their attitude. Most of all, I liked the way that, having scored early against Northern Ireland in the decisive game in Madrid, they did not then go defensive as we have seen happen here and around the world so often.

They continued to go forward and finally won without argument. Platini has had his impact on this World Cup, a cultured professional who insists upon influencing the game at his pace. He is in a sense the resurrection of the midfield general from a previous era. Unacceptable, perhaps, to some modern machines, but not, thankfully, dismissed by all.

But the French team of Michel Hidalgo is not the mural of Platini alone. I have been impressed by others, including Tigana and Treiser, the black Africans, in a well organized, operation.

Let us not forget the Northern Irish in a tournament that can platform a team in the world spotlight one day and then send its players home dejected and defeated the next. Only winners matter it seems.

The Ulstermen can return of Belfast fortified in the knowledge that they, longer than any of the lesser football nations, maintained a voice in the month long dispute to find the world's No. 1 team.

They will be remembered, aside from their spirit, for their desire to be aggressive and creative up front. I heard that some of their players' futures with English clubs were in doubt before they left the shores of Northern Ireland for Spain.

Yet they were motivated by Billy Bingham to fight, as one unit, for the small share of history which their hungry football thoroughly earned. The boy Whiteside was not as lucky as that previous 17-year-old, perhaps, than winning the World Cup itself.

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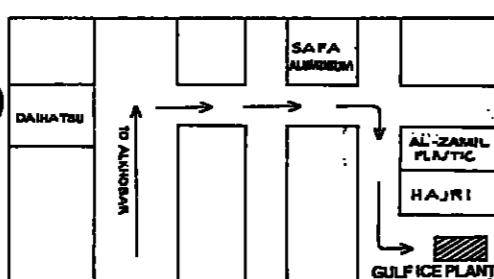
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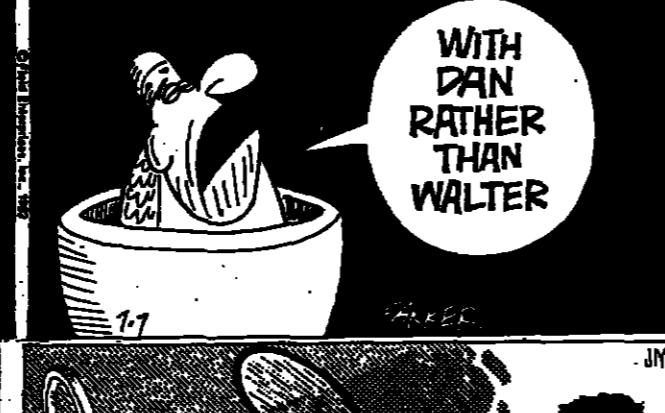
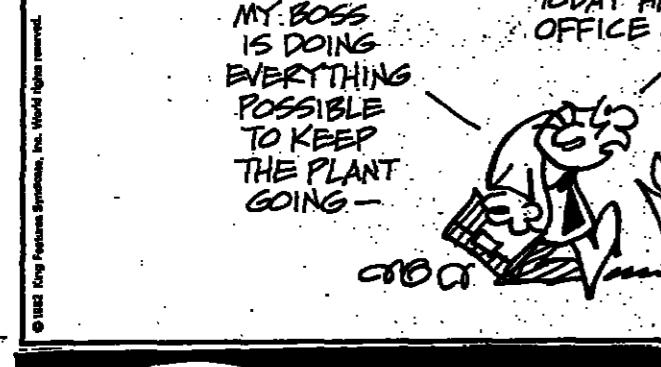
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TV Programs

Saudi Arabia	1:00 Arabic Drama
Wednesday	3:00 Countdown
4:30 Opening, Quran	7:00 Daily Arabic Series
—Cartoons	8:00 Arabic News
—Children's Program	8:35 Sports Magazine
—Modern Mathematics	9:30 Tomorrow's Programs
—Local Programs	9:35 Daily Arabic Series
9:15 English News	10:25 Star Musical Series
—Educational Competition	
10:30 Arabic News	
—Arabic News	
—Arabic Variety Program	
—Weekly Arabic Series	
Close down	
Dhahran	
4:00 Children's Show: Sesame Street and Cartoons	6:00 Program Preview
5:04 Brother Bear/Dolphin	6:05 National Geographic
5:20 Documentary: A Place of	7:30 Double Life of Henry
7:27 Clipper/Motors Team	7:35 The Brothers
7:27 Survivors/Garland's	8:45 Musical Show
8:25 Gimme a Break: Mom's Birthday	9:45 Special English Programs
8:49 Terry and Jerry Word of	10:00 Ellery Queen
8:57 Orange/Golden Hour	11:00 News
10:00 News	
Bahrain Channel 4	
4:30 Quran	1:00 Arabic Drama
—Religious Talk	3:00 Countdown
4:25 Program Preview	
4:30 Cartoons	
5:00 Children's Series	
DUBAI Channel 10	
2:00 Quran	7:10 Exploring Islam
2:00 Holy Quran	7:15 Arabic News
2:15 Religious Talk	7:25 Honey-Berry
2:20 Religious Talk	8:05 Big City Comedy Show
3:00 Local Children's	9:15 Local News
3:00 Local Children's	9:30 Who Dunnit?
3:15 Religious Talk	10:15 Life Begins at Forty
3:30 Local Children's	—World News
3:45 Religious Talk	—Catastrophe
4:00 Quran	—Catastrophe
4:00 Quran	—News Summary
4:00 Quran	Link Ch. 10
Bahrain Channel 55	
6:00 Program Preview	9:15 Local News
6:05 National Geographic	9:30 Who Dunnit?
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8:45 Musical Show	—Catastrophe
9:45 Special English Programs	—News Summary
10:00 Ellery Queen	
DUBAI Channel 33	
6:00 Quran	1:00 Arabic Drama
6:05 Religious Talk	3:00 Countdown
6:15 Cartoons	
6:30 Musical Program	
7:30 Local Drama	
8:30 Comedy Series	
9:00 News in Focus	
9:30 Sports World	
10:00 Sports World	

Crossword

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21 Slangy	8 Siamese
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22 Word of	10 Elite
identification	11 patrons
23 Mushroom	12 Foot lever
25 Detroit pro	13 Silk fineness
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27 Corn bread	15 Egypt
28 Fall behind	16 city
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Yesterday's Answer

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A R
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One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

LHDXO LAGJHCG GJHCQJGO TBSBD
G H J B P S B T Q H. — L. O J P Z B O F B P D B
Yesterday's Cryptoquote: LIBERTY, WHEN IT BEGINS TO TAKE ROOT, IS A PLANT OF RAPID GROWTH.—GEORGE WASHINGTON

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The First Consideration

East dealer. East-West vulnerable.

hope was to tackle diamonds, but when he led the jack West went up with the ace, returned the deuce of clubs, and the contract went down two.

Where did declarer go wrong? On his play from dummy at trick one! He should have gone up with the ace of spades and established his diamonds at once by forcing out the ace. This would have assured at least nine tricks — one spade, three hearts, four diamonds and a club — regardless of how the missing cards were divided.

What causes a declarer to make such a flagrant mistake? Mostly, it's because players tend to play mechanically in some situations. They see the made-to-order spade finesse they've encountered so many times before, and take the finesse without giving the matter further thought.

But this is a horrendous way to play bridge! There's no bonus at all for playing hands quickly. If these players would only stop to think, if they'd only take the time at trick one to plan the play of the hand as a whole, they would surely conclude that playing the three of spades from dummy jeopardizes the contract, while playing the ace of spades from dummy assures the contract.

South's queen lost to the king and West returned the six of clubs, forcing out declarer's ace. South's only remaining

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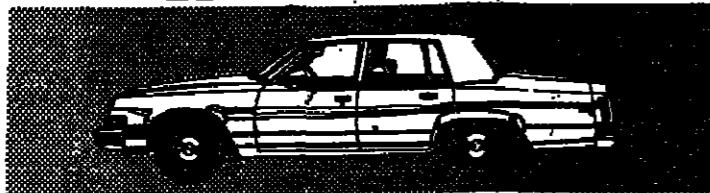
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Probes hijacker's activities

Sri Lanka drafts extradition law

COLOMBO, July 6 (AP) — The Sri Lankan cabinet Tuesday approved legislation to permit the extradition of a man who hijacked an Italian airliner last week and briefly lived it up here off the ransom.

Amid growing calls that Sepala Ekanayaka, a Sri Lankan, be punished for his act, the cabinet met in a special session Tuesday and took the decision. The cabinet will present the legislation to parliament this week.

The Italian government has asked for the extradition of Ekanayaka, 33, who used bus explosives to hold 261 passengers and crew aboard an Alitalia jumbo jet for 32

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International

Tug-of-war over son

Dangerous man, wife says

COLOMBO, July 6 (AP) — The Sri Lankan who hijacked an Italian jetliner last week is a "dangerous man" who apparently idolized his son, according to his Italian wife Anna Aldrovandi.

In an interview with Aldrovandi and a brief conversation with her hijacker husband Spala Ekanayaka hours before his arrest on Saturday, Michelle Berenger of the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corp. heard of the couple's tug-of-war for custody of their 3-year-old son, Free.

"I asked Spala why he called his son Free," said Berenger. "He said: 'He is my son. He must have a beautiful name.' Then he tossed a whole heap of color pictures of the child at me. There were albums and albums. The whole bed was full of them."

Aldrovandi said she believed her husband had explosives strapped to his chest when he threatened to blow up all the passengers aboard an Alitalia jumbo jet he kept at bay for about 40 hours at a Bangkok airport. "He is a dangerous man," Aldrovandi told Berenger.

Berenger spent almost two hours interviewing Aldrovandi at the hotel suite Saturday shortly before Ekanayaka's short-lived spree of extravagant living came to an end.

Aldrovandi told her she reacted with disbelief when she first heard her husband had hijacked the plane. "Then I was afraid for the people and then also for my husband and myself," she said.

Berenger said Ekanayaka cursed hotel workers who asked him to check out as he led her to the room for the interview. She said the hotel management resented his presence because it was apparently causing complaints from other guests and a loss of business.

She then met Aldrovandi cocooned in her room, sitting on the bed with her brown-haired son. Aldrovandi recounted the struggle with her husband for custody of their child.

In February, when she went to bring her son home from kindergarten, she learned he had been taken away by his father, she

hours at Bangkok Airport.

He released the hostages after authorities granted his demands that he be reunited with his estranged Italian wife and young son, paid a ransom of \$300,000 and granted safe passage to Colombo.

The hijacker returned to a hero's welcome here and flaunted his wealth by booking a room at the plush Intercontinental hotel and throwing a lavish lunch for his relatives. But he was arrested Saturday with his brother.

Both were charged with possession of stolen property, and the bank account containing \$280,000 of the ransom money was frozen. Sri Lankan officials said they were investigating possible drug-running activities by the hijacker and indicated they planned to extradite him to Italy.

The extradition request by Rome, which is also seeking return of the ransom it paid, was made under The Hague and Montreal conventions dealing with air piracy. Italian Embassy sources said. Although Colombo was a signatory to these conventions and ratified them, there is no legislation making air piracy and connected matters offenses under Sri Lankan law.

Draft legislation had been prepared some years ago, but was never presented to parliament, informed legal sources said. One source added: "It seems that this draft is now being resurrected and put through parliament with any necessary changes."

The one snag might be the legality of passing laws retroactively, the sources said. The draft legislation must go before the Supreme Court to determine whether it violates the 1978 Sri Lanka constitution, which does not permit retroactive legislation. But the sources pointed out that this could be circumvented to permit Ekanayaka's extradition for international crimes, rather than making air piracy an offense.

It would then be necessary for the Italian government to make a formal application for extradition with supporting documents. When this comes before the court the new laws would have been passed by parliament, the sources said. Italian Ambassador Franco Michele Di Biase left for Rome Monday night apparently in connection with the extradition application.

Ekanayaka's lawyers are expected to make a formal application for bail before his case is called on July 16. But police are expected to oppose the motion because of their investigations. Ekanayaka's wife and son are still in Sri Lanka as police feel she might be useful in their investigations of the hijacker's alleged involvement in international drug trafficking.

In March, Aldrovandi and her brother came to Sri Lanka and then drove to Ekanayaka's home in the south, said Berenger. She stayed there and later returned to Italy with her son. "She didn't say exactly how she did it, but left the impression that she bluffed him just as he had bluffed her before," he said.

Berenger said: "I asked Anna whether Spala would have really killed himself. He came into the room right then. She repeated my question to him and he laughed. But she answered it. She said that she thought he really would. He was a dangerous man."

Aldrovandi said she thought her husband was happy because "he had got what he wanted," said Berenger. After the interview, the couple was greeted by a bevy of reporters and photographers who charged at them with flashbulbs exploding, said Berenger.

They left the hotel, and drove south followed by two carloads of Ekanayaka's friends, apparently headed for his hometown. That afternoon, Ekanayaka was taken into custody by squads of police who trailed the entourage in the coastal city of Galle, 72 miles south of here. He was brought back to Colombo for questioning, accompanied by his wife and child.

The four white mercenaries were sentenced to death Tuesday for their part in an attempt to overthrow the Seychelles government last November. The four — two Zimbabweans, a South African and a Briton — pleaded guilty to treason when the trial began last month.

A fifth, confessed South African intelligence agent Martin Dolincheck, was found guilty of treason Monday and was given a 20-year jail term by the Seychelles High Court Tuesday. Justice Earle Seaton said Dolincheck was an accomplice to the coup attempt, not a direct participant, and had also shown a spirit of contrition while conducting his own defense.

The four are: Jeremiah Puren of South Africa, Zimbabweans Frank Brooks and Roger England and Briton Bernard Carey. A fifth mercenary, Robert Sims of South Africa, was also due to be sentenced Tuesday on firearms offenses to which he pleaded guilty. A charge of treason against him was dropped when he admitted the arms charges.

Seychelles authorities say that, with the exception of Puren, the accused were an advance party for a mercenary force hired to overthrow the government of President Albert Rene and to reinstate former President James Mancham.

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